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The tantrums of Oasis's Liam Gallagher were surprisingly upstaged by his brother Noel yesterday PHOTOGRAPH: ANDREW TESTA

definitely, and maybe it's all over for Oasis

to 20.756

ASIS split shock" (or was it "Oasis shock spilt"?) said the black letter bill on a stand in Market Street presided over by

His cry of "Late final!" set

Oasis is as common as strong lager and stronger language but this time it was serious. The singer's brother Noel, aged 29, the band's songwriter and resident genius, walked out on

The whispers were aimed

at actress Patsy Kensit, Liam's girlfriend. She has before, and both her former husbands' bands ran into trouble.

But Paul Gallagher, aged 32, the other brother, played down any sugges tions Ms Kensit was to Oasis what John Lennon's second wife was to the break-up of the Beatles. "I'm sure Patsy She's great. She is no Yoko Ono.

The eight girls, from Failsworth comprehensive in Oldham, had come to Manchester to help Lynsey Joseph, aged 16, buy birth-day clothes. Their reaction to the apparently final fall-ing out between Liam and Noel was disbelief couched in a phrase which might bring a blush to the cheeks

of their headteacher." They offered a torrent of opinion, singing two Oasis numbers simultaneously

Austin

IT'S JUST'A PALE IMPRATION OF LENGON AND MICARTHEY'S SPLIT

They had seen Manchester's finest at Kneb-worth, Loch Lowond and Maine Road (twice).

"Best band in the world. We're totally mad for it."
they insisted. "This stuff
about the split — it's just the papers. Doesn't mean it's happening does it? It's not true. They're always arguing. They'll last as long as the Beatles, Longer.

Creation, the band's record company, issued a statement worthy of a grand prix racing team: "Oasis have had internal difficulties on their ninth tour of America, which has resulted in the tour being pulled two-thirds of the way through. It is unlikely that immediate touring commit-ments will be fulfilled." Or, put another way: first Liam, aged 23, missed the opening night in Chicago so he could go house-hunting in London; then he spat, swore and spilt beer at the MTV awards in New York;

now Noel has left after a five-hour row during a hand meeting in north Carolina. Back in the band's home town, shopper Greg Hollins glanced at Mr Barnes's newshill. "I see that every time I come to Manchester," he snorted. "Oasis are

a bunch of arrogant gits. I like their albums but I don't like their attitude. They're cocky. At first, they were a new thing with a new image. But it became repeti-tive — sticking the Vs up at concerts, spitting beer at the crowd. We've seen it all before." Outside HMV, Ros Man-

ley, aged 17, agreed: "There are plenty of bands around who are just as good. They are too commercial — they sold out."

Angharad Jackson, who works in Waterstone's, said: "They are really boring. They are ugly and chau-vinist. I don't like the spitting and the new lad

Mr Barnes was still shouting his wares. How did he feel about the demise of Manchester's cultural icons? "I'll sob when I go to bed tonight," be suggested as he cleared his throat in another bid to reach 100

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US throws ring of steel around Iraq

Martin Walker in

HE United States hurriedly threw a military ring of steel around Iraq yesterday as a prelude to an expected, large American assault while the Clinton administration fought a war of words with President Saddam

As threats and counter threats flew, the Pentago was forearming against all possible Iraqi reprisals, ranging from a ground assault on Kuwait to a Scud missile attack on Israel. The US reinforced Patriot missile de fences in Kuwait, sent addi-tional fighter-bombers to the Gulf and alerted a second aircraft carrier task force.

After Tareq Aziz, the Iraqi deputy prime minister, de-nounced Kuwait for allowing US bombers to use its bases Washington reaffirmed its commitment to defend the emirate, and wider Western

"Everyone should under relief, could not survive stand that the US will take all necessary and appropriate action to protect our forces and our interests in that area," said William Perry, the defence secretary. "We are in the process of moving even more forces there to protect those interests."

While maintaining a drumbeat of resolution to challenge President Seddam after the the Gulf and, in addition to loss of Kurdistan to a pro-Baghdad faction. US officials ment of eight Stealth waradmitted that the northern planes and four B-52 bombers, from Britain, Kuwait and Is- Iraq crisis, page 6

Larry Elliott Economics Editor

With the Chancellor, Ken-

leaves him little scope for big tax cuts in the budget, minis-

ters intend to switch the focus

of their political attack to in-

The strategy depends or

keeping base rates at around their current level of 5.75 per

cent, a task made easier by the weakness of inflation. Fig-

slightly to 2.1 per cent.

Adriatic USS Enterprise on standby SAUDI ARABUA Eight F-117A 'Stealth' bombers on route from the US to Al-Jaber Aircraft carrier, USS Carl Vinson, Two armoured plus US Fifth brigades have Diego Garci Four 8-52 bombers from the US base on Guam 250 miles armouned division.

emirate, and wider Western no-fly zone and Operation the US was readying other as oil and strategic interests in Provide Comfort, the military sets in the region.

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The admission confirmed what commentators have being saying for several days; that President Saddam has won a significant victory at the allies' expense and now controls a large chunk of ter-ritory lost in the aftermath of

But Washington's focus on the south means protecting the Gulf and, in addition to

that Kuwait had committed "an act of war" by allowing the F-117s to use its airbases. Baghdad also claimed to have fired three anti-aircraft misiles at US and allied aircraft

yesterday.
The US faced renewed criticism from Gulf war allies in the Middle East and Europe. France, which criticised last week's cruise missile attacks, expressed "deep concern" about the mounting tension and it was clear that apart

rael, unequivocal support for

Washington was unlikely.
But US sources insisted that Mr Clinton had little choice. "Saddam is very unpredictable so all the pieces are being put in place to deal with any possible response, said a well-placed US source. Latest intelligence reports show mostly routine Iraqi ac-

tivity in the south. But the most likely risk to Kuwait is from a Scud attack, with 16 missiles in Iraq's arsenal unaccounted for by United Nations inspectors. Israel and Saudi Arabia could also be

exposed. US air strikes could begin at the weekend. Two hundred and fifty cruise missiles are on the ships of the Fifth fleet. The Stealth bombers left Holloman Air Force base in

New Mexico yesterday on their 20-hour flight to Kuwait. In Washington, political pressures mounted sharply on Mr Clinton yesterday, with what seemed like a coordinated attack by the Republican vice-presidential candidate Jack Kemp, the retired general Colin Powell and the former secretary of

"The president is going to have to make a clear distinction between supporting our that could involve us more fully," Gen Powell said.

Mr Baker, testifying before Congress, spoke of "a defeat for US policy in the region, a failure of US leadership", and Mr Kemp accused Mr Clinton of emboldening President Sadam with "vague and uncer-tain foreign policy".

Noel walks out

David Ward

Kevin Barnes, the loudest

news vendor in Manchester. trembling buildings even the IRA could not budge. But his bellowings were drowned by the squeals of anguish uttered by the Failsworth Collective when they were caught up with the tragedy which had over-

whelmed the city. Liam Gallagher leaving Britain's most successful group of the 1990s and flew home yesterday.

and in different keys outside the gas showroom.

World News

The Government is trying to postpone a special EU summit in Dublin next month, called to speed the drive

Finance

Gillette, the razor manufacturer, is expanding its consumer products empire by buying battery maker

ures released by the Office for National Statistics yesterday showed the annual rate of price increases falling

Sport

Liverpool were in

action in Finland

last night, taking

on MyPa-47 as they

began their attempt

to win the European

on tax could not be sustained for seven months until a spring election, and that the Government would now be stressing the risks posed by Labour to mortgage rates, "The family with an aver-

One senior minister admit-ted that the recent campaign

ICM poll

Mortgages: the

HE Conservatives are CONSERVATIVE hopes planning to raise the stakes in the pre-electhat the Government's sum mer recovery would con-tinue were dashed yestertion doglight over the economy with an autumn offensive day as Labour reopened a 15-point lead in the latest ers that mortgage rates will rise under Labour. opinion poll.

Labour's lead over the Tories is up by three points, neth Clarke, telling back- according to the September benchers that the poor state Guardian-ICM survey.
of the Government's finances

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> month better off than it was when interest rates peaked in intend to remind voters of that fact."

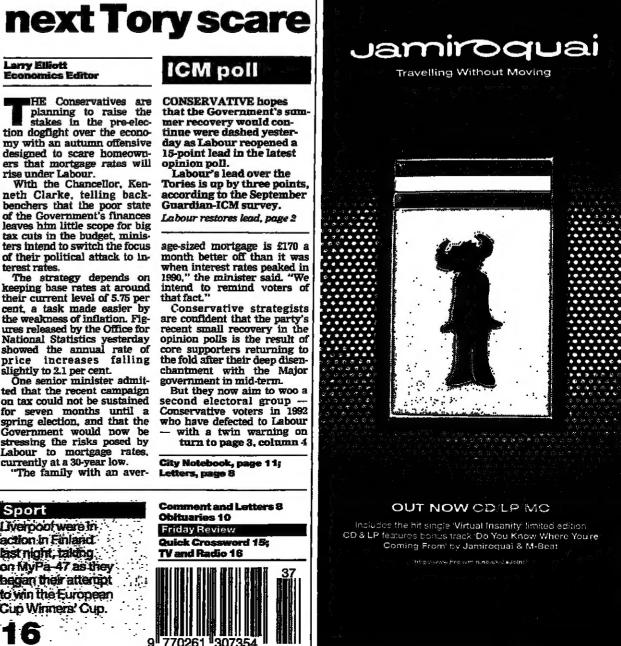
> Conservative strategists are confident that the party's recent small recovery in the opinion polls is the result of core supporters returning to the fold after their deep disenchantment with the Major

government in mid-term. But they now aim to woo a second electoral group — Conservative voters in 1992 who have defected to Labour with a twin warning on turn to page 3, column 4

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Sketch

Gretna couples miss the green



Peter Hetherington

ALL it a factory geared to conveyor belt ceremo-nies, a matrimonial machine delivering happy coumatch. People have called Gretna many unfavourable things — shabby, sad, taste-less, or a plain let-down — but you can't deny its success.

For some unfathomable reason, the marriage industr on the featureless flatlands of the Solway estuary, over the border in Scotland, is booming. Perhaps it's the enduring romance of the drab township, still occasionally a haven for runaways, the quest for anonymity among second-time round couples, or the lure of cut-price wedding: a flat £69 for the basic ceremony on weekdays — £45 extra on Sat-urdays — with no frills, no fuss and usually no relatives Alison Quigley is run off

her feet after processing 16 couples in the space of five hours. "It's so busy and stress ful," sighs the head registrar, smiling faintly behind a mound of papers, and a computer terminal that betray the mounting workload. "It's hectic, but we manage. We try to

make people feel important." This year, after a recordbreaking summer, they're already 400 up on 1995 when 3,500 couples trooped out of the registry office to be confronted by a Spar super-market, the Mystic Palace takeaway and a fish and chicken bar opposite. "Not what we expected," sighed Sarah Kester (nee O'Donnell) from Aylesbury, as her father, Lanty, showered her with confetti for the photograph.
"A bit ordinary, isn't it?"
said husband Robert. "But it's

something different." Certainly is. In 20 years, the throughput has increased fifty-fold and now the staff -Alison, two other registrars ing they're pushed for space. Expansion plans are afoot.

Only five years ago, the earner, forked out £400,000 for corporating three marriage rooms - a rather incongruous Japanese-style structure, built around a fountain and small garden. But it wasn't enough. Alison's office now

es as a marriage room. She acknowledges that, for some, Gretna is a let-down. "I has this romantic name, but it's not a picturesque village. A few had complained.

Sadly too many people con-fuse Grema with Grema Green, a mile north and rather more attractive. Some

locals, like pensioner Alexan-der Sutherland, say it's all very unfortunate. "They built this new office in the wrong place," he complains while watching the endless marriage show from a bench oppo site. "They should have put it at Gretna Green where there' a nice little vacant patch. Much prettier."

Soon, another couple emerge. Samuel and Brenda Sproule — she from Derry, Northern Ireland: he from ing for a new life in Dublin. They are just happy to escape. "We didn't want the big palays of a church wedding," volun-teers Brenda. "It's a second marriage for both of us. This is a good place to start again.

They are quickly followed by Vicki and Simon Walton, from Bishop Auckland, Co Durham. Why Gretna? "Because it's cheaper," he laughs. "No, silly, because of it's

ristory," she interjects. They are slightly disap-pointed with the place. "We expected old Gretna Green, not this.' Down the road, Sarah and

Robert Kester, and close family, have popped into the local bakery for a small wedding cake. They take a few bites on the street, a few gulps of cola, then head for a honeymoon in Combria. And that's it. Quick, easy, and cheap. Inside the offices, Alison

Quigley prepares for another rush: 24 couples have booked in tomorrow. They might find it hard to reconcile the real Gretna, built as a dormitory for a turn-of-the century munitions industry, with the ver sion portrayed in a glossy bro-chure, produced for "that special occasion". The place, in short, is a mess.

Party back to 15-point advantage, up three, dashing Tory hopes of maintaining summer revival

Labour restores poll lead

Martin Kettle

ONSERVATIVE Government's summer recovery into the autumn were dashed yesterday as Labour reopened a 15-point lead in the latest pinion poll. Labour has increased its lead over the Tories by three

points, as the party conference season opens, according to the September Guardian

reopened the 15 point advan-tage it held in July. This will help to calm party fears that fierce Tory propaganda cam-paigns might be eroding Labour's long-standing poll advantage. The swing to Labour is within the acknowl-edged margin of error for agers will be anxious to see whether it is confirmed after

The adjusted survey results show Labour on 47 per cent (up 2 points compared with After four successive August), Conservatives 32 months in which the Conser- (down 1), Liberal Democrats

vatives had eaten into | 16 (down 3), and others 5 (up | rating since April (when it Labour's lead, Labour have | 2). Labour's lead is up three | recorded 50 per cent support) reopened the 15 point advan- points compared with August. | and has maintained its record On the unadjusted figures - which take no account of

voters' reluctance to admit to the September results show Labour on 51 per cent (up 1), Conservatives 28 (down 2), Liberal Democrats 15 (down 3), and others 5 (up 2). Labour's lead is up 3.

Although Labour has had a difficult summer, marked by arguments about Tony Blair's leadership style and an em-barrassing row about Scottish devolution, the party has notched its best adjusted ICM

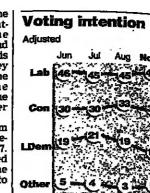
of never falling below 45 per cent since Mr Blair became leader than two years ago. The poll was taken before this week's TUC conference.

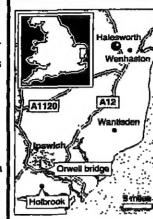
ese results interrupt the strong momentum which the lished in the polls since the spring. They nevertheless confirm the strengthening Con-servative share of support-With the exception of last month's rating, this month's Tory score is its best since July 1995 in the monthly

Guardian-ICM surveys.

The principal losers are the Liberal Democrats, whose ratings have fallen for the second successive month and whose 16 per cent rating is their lowest this year. They are likely to see this as the expected election time squeeze and to believe the trend can be reversed after

their conference. ICM interviewed a random sample of 1.200 adults by telephone on September 6 and 7. Interviews were conducted across the country and the results have been weighted to the profile of all adults.





Suicides in quiet area of Suffolk leave parents anxious and police investigating possible paedophile ring



The High Street in Halesworth, Suffolk, where choirmaster Christopher Barnett lived and was regarded as 'a great bloke'

Indecency inquiry spreads to 19 choirs

contribution to the lives of

Buttle, said: "I regard Mr Bar-

nett as one of the most tal-

ented and remarkable people

I have ever met. The breadth

of his choral repertoire was

breathtaking, as was the qual-

ity of interpretation. We are all indebted to him for his

dedicated and tireless work in

the community."

Detective Chief Inspector

Andrew Ravasio, who is head-

ing the inquiry, said yester-

day he had an open mind as to

whether a paedophile ring

the circumstances surround-ing Mr Barnett I cannot rule

out anything," he said.
"My main concern is for

any boys who may have been

the subject of sexual abuse and to ensure that they and their parents get the best

possible advice and the best possible counselling at the

"Our inquiry is into any ac-

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Review

Muted debut for Hallé's new hall

Andrew Clements

Hallé Orchestra/Nagano Bridgewater Hall, Manchester/ Classic FM

 IGHT years after the city
 council gave the gosince building work began. Manchester has a new concert hall, and the Hallé Orchestra at last has a purpose-built home. The Bridgewater Hall will be opened officially by the Queen in December, but the Halle's inaugural concert of English music, conducted by its music director Kent Nagano, took place last night, with champagne for every member of the audience and fireworks and a light show

First impressions of the building are striking, espe-cially when illuminated at night, with the glass prow of the main entrance obliquely aligned to the road alongside. The 2,400-seater hall is plain, comfortable and sensibly decorated in light woods, with no trace of the garish colour scheme of Birmingham's

Symphony Hall. Acoustically, comparisons with Birmingham are inevitable, and on first encounter the Bridgewater Hall does not pos sess that superb auditorium's welcoming warmth of tone

and control of detail. The sound can be fine-tuned, and no doubt will be over the coming season, but at present from a seat in the circle it seems to present a per-plexing bundle of paradoxes. The reverberation seems generous, (though evidently less in the preliminary acoustic tests), yet the sound seems to lack body and presence. Some of the climaxes, especially in the final pages of Wal-ton's Belshazzar's Feast that ended the programme, were muddy and poorly defined, but it does treat solo voices very kindly — Thomas Allen's crisply dramatic singing in Belshazzar came across as immediately as anyone could

There were moments in this concert that suggested the orchestra was finding its feet; Elgar's Enigma Variations was peculiarly uninvolving, though Nagano's very mea-sured tempi did not help that. and the Walton was sometimes choppy and brittle.

New music is taking a prom ment place in the opening celebrations. The Halle has commissioned no fewer than three pieces for its first pair of concerts, all from composers closely associated with Nagano and the orchestra. Tonight it gives the premiere of works by Thomas Ades and John Adams, while this programme began with George Benjamin's Sometime Voices a setting for baritone (William

Dazeley), chorus and orches-tra of part of Caliban's "Be not efeard" speech from The It was a strangely disappointing response to such a commission, predominantly quiet and restrained, with the solo voice stretching out on long, reflective lines while the chorus supplies mainly word-less accompaniments and the orchestra decorates them with Benjamin's typically refined, evanescent textures. The scoring contains a mando-

OLICE and social services are to question members of 19 choirs following the separate suicides of a choirmaster and pianist - one facing child indecency charges and the other found in possession

of child pornography. Christopher Barnett, 37year-old founder and conductor of the Wenhaston choir in Suffolk whose work has been acknowledged throughout the music world, killed himself by jumping off a Suffolk bridge last week, the day after police told him they were charging him with one offence and investigating two others as a result of com-plaints made directly to them

by the boys concerned. All the allegations were that Mr Barnett had inde-

cently touched them. Earlier this year the choir's pianist, Adrian Bush, killed himself after police raided his home at Ipswich as part of a nationwide crackdown, recovered items of child pornogra-phy, something that was not revealed at his inquest, which recorded a verdict of suicide after hearing he had suffered from a depressive illness.

Mr Bush, a 51-year-old teacher at a Suffolk private school, was an adult member

Deepening

budget crisis sees BBC World Service

ADRIAN BUSH was a career teacher specialisi in music, latterly at the Royal Hospital independent grammar school, Holbrook, near Ioswich. He had a lifelong interest in choral music and was a talented

keyboard player, much in and with a particular repu-tation as a fine sight-reader. of the Wenhaston choir as

well as its accompanist. Police have set up a special telephone hotline so that either children or parents can call. So far more than a dozen calls have been received.

Police have declined to say what further information has what further information has choir urging them to speak to resulted but stress that their | their children and to contact

cover all the musical organisations with which Mr Barnett was connected - that takes in another 18 choirs and

Celia, Mr Bush was said at

unable to work because of

Mr Bush played a promi-

nent role in the local music

scene and was also a fine

singer. The school says he

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His wife has complained

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year when, the police claim.

to Suffolk police for releas-

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they found items of child

pornography. Mr Bush died in his car

outside the church in Wan-

made at his inquest earlier

- Alan Watkins

tisden, but no mention of

police involvement was

this year.

tragic blow to the school

and the community.

had been devoted to the

was a renowned and enthu-

depression caused by unfounded allegations.

two schools. Police have also sent letters to each parent of the 40-strong

House headquarters, who have

inquiry is being extended to | the police if they have any Local people, including those with children in the choir, were anxious to defend

police investigation.

Mr Barnett's reputation yes terday in the wake of the

One of the parents, Trish Scott, from Southwold, said:

CHRISTOPHER BARNETT,

who was born in the West Midlands, had two ruling

passions — snooker and

music. When Mr Barnett

moved to Suffolk 15 years ago he quickly established

snooker player, becoming the county champion, and a

himself as a top amateur

Inspired by local suc-

spected coach.

turning professional but

Mr Barnett also ran two

snooker clubs in Suffolk

He had strong connec-

tions with the Royal School

of Church Music and acted

as a singing course director

for them on several occa-

August. Friends say he was virtually self-taught as a

flair for obtaining balance

in performance that

marked out his work as

something exceptional.

conductor but had a natural

In the past 12 years he had

won international respect

taining the same high stan-

dards despite the problems

of constantly changing per-

as a choir trainer, main-

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nant interest.

At one time 37-year-old

We are still trying to come to

terms with the situation and it is fair to say that we are all

— Alan Watkins

tivities of a sexual nature in-volving Mr Barnett, but it is far too early for me to say whether those we know about are isolated incidents or part in a state of shock."

While no one condoned in any way what Mr Barnett was and whether or not other alleged to have done. Mrs scott said, most people still three boys who have been interviewed so far have not implicated anyone else."

Asia show lin and a banjo to conjure Caliban's "twangling instru-ments", but the effect is not at axed after all pictorial, and sounded dis-tinctly uncelebratory in this 20-year run This review appeared in

Andrew Culf Media Correspondent

THE BBC World Service has axed its first programme in a fresh round of cuts caused by its deepening budget crisis.

The move to scrap the daily South Asia Report, which has run for 20 years, was blamed on director general John Birt's restructuring by some service staff, but the BBC said it was the direct result of cuts

been campaigning to halt the merger of its English language and news programmes with the BBC's domestic depart-ments, are planning to lobby next month's Conservative The campaign is also com-

pleting its submission to the joint Foreign Office/BBC working group set up to as-sess the impact of the Birt changes to the World Service. Its detailed criticisms of the likely financial effect and imOffice minister, Jeremy Han-

Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, and Sir Chris-topher Bland, the BBC's chairman, are to discuss the group's report next month.

The BBC said South Asia
Report was not delivering a
large enough audience and research showed the English language audience in the region wanted world rather than Asian news. It denied the restructuring had led to the programme's demise.

dropped by 15 per cent in real (

restructuring plans were made public, Sam Younger, managing director of the World Service, announced an efficiency drive seeking a £13 million (10 per cent) reduc-tion in operating costs over

three years. In 1997/88 the BBC is seekit was the direct result of cuts in government funding.

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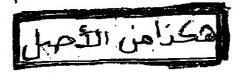
Mr Younger is expected to dropped by 15 per cent in real terms since 1993/94. "When you look at the service's income, some hard decisions have to be made."

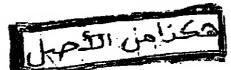
In March, before Mr Birt's his warning that if the Government does not revise its ernment does not revise its figures, foreign language services will have to be closed. T-shirts, with the logo Well Worth Saving, are available from Save the World Service Campaign (T-shirt), Room 512 N.E. Bush House, London, WC2B 4PH. Cheques (£10 + £1 p&p) payable to Save the World Service Campaign, stating size (S. M. L and XL).



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Oasis in a musical desert on the day the music died — at least for the moment

□ Oasis sold 2 million copies of their first album, Definitely Maybe, and 8 million of their second, (What's

The Story) Morning Glory?, generating £24 ☐ Apart from the Gal-

lagher brothers, Liam and Noel, there are three other members: bassist Paul McGuigan, guitarist Paul "Bonehead" Arthurs and drummer Alan White.

☐ Their first gig was in October 1992, but it was two years before they hit the big time with their first single, Supersonic.

Five per cent of the population applied for tickets to their Knebworth concert, only 0.4 per cent succeeding.

Their rivalry with fellow Britpoppers Blur is notorious; Noel has expressed the hope that Blur's singer and bass player "die of Aids". (Blur pipped Oasis to No. 1 in 1995 when they released singles on the same day.)

At one point this year, all their nine singles were in the

□ Former drummer Tony McCarroll is suing after being sacked for "incompetence".

☐ Oasis's endorsement brought the work of Burt Bacharach to a new generation.

☐ Their shambolic dress sense is influential: shops have reported a run on Hush Puppies and anoraks.

☐ There is another Gallagher brother, Paul. He manages another, less successful band.



Brothers in arms . . . Liam (left) and Noel Gallagher, who gave the band its front and its engine respectively

Hard times for the brothers grim

Noel wanted to be as popular as U2. Liam was more like Sid Vicious Nick Variey on the conflicts that have dogged Britain's most popular band

vana's Kurt Cobain died, a fledg-ling group took to the stage in front of barely 100 people in a small club in the North-east.

Only the support band (ap-pearing for £125 and some beer), Oasis made little im-pression as they wandered on. That changed minutes later when singer Liam Gallagher sneered a dedication to the late figurehead of grunge: This one's for Kurt Cobain." he said. Oasis played Live

The frontman, whose antics have created more headlines than the previous generation of British bands, was away. The king was dead, long live the king. Not Liam, the clown prince, the image, the charis-matic frontman, but his brother Noel, the songwriter. It was Noel and, however un-likely it sounds, his work ethic which made Oasis Brit-ain's most successful band of the '90s. From the day he joined Liam's band he took over, determined for success — and, unlike many artists, he

was prepared to graft for it. Graham Ramsay, promoter of the night at Middlesbrough Arena, remembers: "They had a band policy of putting themselves around the venue after the show, mixing with fans. That night the four after the previous night and he still stayed around and he was so apologetic about them leaving. He must have said

sorry about six times." By last month, when they played to 250,000 people at Knebworth, Liam's every movement was subject to nedia scrutiny: his on-off not some time soon.

N THE night Nir- | romance with Patsy Kensit. his drug use, his loutish behaviour.

> Always in contrast to such rock n roll excess was Noel's ambition, born when he was a guitar roadie for Inspiral Carpets. He used his time touring with them to learn the workings of the music business, accumulate contacts and discover those he wanted to work with when his chance came.

That was in 1992 when he ioined Rain Liam's hand demanding one condition; commitment. Since then it has been unbroken success — a hit with their first single, top 10 with their third; the fastest selling debut album in British pop history, followed by the fastest selling album of the '90s with their second.

Tensions between fast-living Liam and and fast-talking Noel were never far from the surface. Noel once said the band's security guards were employed primarily to keep the brothers apart. He also said: "Liam is always leaving the band. It's raining today, so he's leaving the band 'cos

it's raining."
But when Noel leaves, it's serious. Former manager lan Robertson said last night: "He takes a great deal but generally speaking he'll walk away

and go to his room."

Not that he hasn't quit be fore. On an American tour in 1995 the antics of the band be-came too much. The commitment had gone, so Noel went too - for a week on his own with £5,000 of the tour float and a solo return to Britain. Reconciliation was swift. Robertson would not be surprised if the same happens again. "I would bet on it but when, I don't know — maybe



Patsy Kensit . . . romance on again, off again

Brotherly love

Noel on Liam: "Liam's always leaving the band. It's raining today so he's leaving the band 'cos it's raining."

Liam on Noel: "I f*****g hate that twat there, I f*****g hate him. And one day I hope I can smash f*** out of him with a f*****g Rickenbacker right on his head."

up", to use Noel's words.
"The law of averages says he can't go on being a knob for the rest of his life." For if there's one thing a perfectionist hates it's the uncontrollable.

Perhaps when Liam "grows | as U2. When he walked out p", to use Noel's words. | last time, he told the other four they could be the new U2 or the Sex Pistols. Liam's problem is that all too often he appears to be heading towards the new Sid Vicious. Noel is incontrollable.

Noel wants to be as popular

McLaren rolled into one.

Jonathan Freedland on the band's 'last stand'

HEY began with Hello. but they never said good-bye. The several thousand young Washingtonians who had gathered under the stars a couple of nights ago didn't seem to mind.

They were quite content to see Liam, Noel and the boys stomp off after the cover version of I am the Walrus. No one in the crowd realised they were witnessing a piece of history: Oasis's last stand.

All right, it wasn't exactly the last stand. That — if rumours of Oasis's death are not greatly exaggerated — came on Wednesday in Charlotte, North Carolina. Tuesday's show at the open air Nissan Pavilion in Virginia may not have been the ultimate performance, but it was the penultimate one, and that counts for something.

The event had a strange charge even before it began. The Nissan Pavilion is in the middle of nowhere and the sight of thousands of cars and kids — their necks glowing with florescent necklaces heading for the distant mountain of lights was like an outtake from Close Encounters.

The spectacle and the empty night sky should have dwarfed Oasis. Liam was dressed, as usual, like a Salford teenager waiting for a bus: brown jacket zipped to the top. T-shirt hanging out in front. The rest looked no more stellar than a bunch of mates having a round. But then the mega-TV screens concentrated on Liam's face, bent, as usual, in an unshaven sneer at the microphone. And he

The critics had been un-kind on this benighted US

ended with Noel catching an early flight home. The New York Times described Oasis as a "wired bundle of apathy and hubris", concluding that, "Few bands put out as little and expect as much as this

problem in America. When they first came to Washington in late 1994, they struggled to fill the 9.30 Club, a glorified pub. A year later they played a larger hall, in Baltimore. By then they were huge in Brit-ain, but still a mere cult band in America. The result was incongruity: Liam strutted and paced like a surly rock star, but the audience didn't think he'd earned the right.

all right and Liam sulked and preened to his heart's content. Violating Virginia's strict rules against public drinking, he knocked back the beer and sat on one of the stage speakers, swinging his legs like a moody brat.

When Liam and the lads took a break, leaving him alone with his acoustic guitar, the crowd warmed instantly. His soft versions of Whatever and Wonderwall delighted the Americans, who slipped in-stantly into ballad mode, popping open their lighters and

swaying.
There is a ravenous appetite for tuneful, soppy songs in the US and a post-Oasis Noel could find a ready audience here.

Maybe that's what explains the pleased smile he allowed himself at the end of his three-song session, after he had sung loud and clear: "I'm free to do whatever I want." Kids in Washington will be thinking of the unwitting poi-gnancy of Liam belting out "Maybe I just want to breathe, maybe I just don't be-lieve. You and I are gonna

live forever". That memory will make a decent souvenir. Although tour, which began with Liam now I'm kicking myself. buffing out of Heathrow and should have bought a T-shirt.

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strengthening the fundamen-tals of the economy upon

which low interest rates

The Advertising Standards Association ruled yesterday that Labour's "Same Old Tories Same Old Lies" poster

was unlikely to cause serious

or widespread offence. Frank

Dobson, the shadow environ-

ment secretary said: "The

ASA is quite right to say that

calling the Tories liars is not

cause it is true. They lied

NHS to sign deal with private health firm

David Brindle, Social Services Correspondent

Health Service trusts are poised to sign a pioneering deal involving a tie-up with a private health insurer which will renew controversy over creeping health privatisation. The agreement would mean

trusts promoting a Norwich Union policy under which subscribers are treated in pri-vate patient wings of NHS

vate patient wings of NHS hospitals.

The plan last night threatened a damaging health service row. Bob Abberley, head of health for Unison, the biggest NHS union, said: "This is the shape of things to come under the Tory NHS.
"It just proces that what we

"It just proves that what we have been saying about in-creasing privatisation. It's happening before our very

Stephen Dorrell, the Health Secretary, said the deal would have to be studied and its ac-ceptability would "depend a bit" on the way the policy was promoted. But he added: "I rather welcome the expression of confidence in NHS care that is implied by the

idea."
The deal could be one of several struck with insurers by the NHS Trust Federation. Its leaders have been angered by a move by Bupa, the lead-ing insurer, to try to switch its subscribers to a policy which bars their treatment at most NHS private patient

Bupa runs 30 of its own hospitals which, like many others in the private sector.

operate at low capacity.
Estimates of the potential loss of income to the NHS as a result of Bupa's action start at £16 million a year, ranging up to £200 million, and the federation has retaliated by open-ing talks with other

Marco Cereste, federation chairman, said terms of a deal

had been reached with Nor-wich Union and would go for approval to the federation's next council meeting.

Asked if trusts would sell the Norwich Union policy, he said: "Not at this stage, but if it is successful and we put the right package together. I really don't see why you should not be able to buy such a package from your local

trust."
He added: "If there is a particularly good scheme that we think is of benefit to our-selves, and particularly our patients, it would be wrong for us not to promote it."

Norwich Union already offers a policy, Trust Care, which provides for treatment only in NHS private patient units. It presents the policy as low-cost because it says the units are better value than private hospitals.

For a couple aged 44 and living in Cornwall, Norwich Union quotes a premium of £46.24 a month; for a 27-yearold in Oxford, it quotes £22.72.

Take-up of the policy is thought to have been low, al-though the company would give no figures. The proposed tie-up with the trust federation would lead to the scheme being re-launched with a fresh emphasis on the advan tages of NHS hospitals.

"They have in place all the support services that most provincial private hospitals don't have." said Mr Cereste. speaking at the federation's annual conference in

Many trust hospitals are rapidly expanding their pri-vate patient wings, claiming that profits are ploughed back into improving care for NHS patients. Earlier this year, however, Mr Dorrell inter-vened to stop trusts marketing their own insurance schemes in parmership with companies

Approval of the federation's proposal would appear to hinge on it not being a sole agreement and on trusts not yet — selling the policy.

Antonio Carluccio offers something to expand your perceptions of Italian cooking.

 W_i ld mushrooms.

Starting this week, six weeks of Italian recipes from Antonio Carluccio's new book and TV series 'Italian Feast'. Find out how just a few slices of special dried funghi can alter a sauce beyond your wildest dreams.

Radiofimes IT'S NOT WHAT YOU EXPECT.

continued from page 1 **Angry at Kilmer's frequent** are prepared to risk charges failures to turn up on set, Brando that their election campaign is overly-negative because it is believed fears of higher

had arranged for his trailer to be moved away from Kilmer's, and had, according to **Entertainment Weekly told him:** "Your problem is you confuse the size of your talent with the

size of your pay cheque." The "massacre" of The Island of Dr Moreau

Conservatives plan mortgage rate scare

mortgage rates under a Neil Kinnock administration were one of the unpublicised factors behind the support given to Mr Major in 1992 by aspirational swing voters, particu-larly in the South-east.

Despite Labour's insistence that it will be tough on inflation and public spending, the Conservatives believe the Opposition remains vulnerable to the charge that borrowing and interest rates will rise.

"Gordon Brown [the shadow chancellor] has yet to come clean about what his in- truth." Mr Brown said last flation target would be, what I night his plans are for public spend. "Despite these Tory lies, now.

ing, and what he intends to do | they know it is the Conservaabout public sector pay. We will be pressing for some answers. the ministerial tives who have hit the home-owners and Labour which source said. and interest rates low by in-Labour remains confident

that its economic strategy — based on the final abandonment of tax and spend policies
— will stand up to scrutiny and that it can turn the tables on the Government by high-lighting the débacle of Black Wednesday and the subse-quent tax increases to pay the cost of the 1990s recession.

"Millions of people still liv-ing in pegative equity after

ing in negative equity after the housing market disaster and high interest rates which have characterised John Major's leadership know the

about tax at the last election. They are lying about Labour

Duchess of York to write for Paris-Match

THE Duchess of York has been signed up to write regularly for Paris-Match, the French weekly gossip magazine announced yesterday. The duchess, who has signed a contract for an undisclosed sum, is to write a minimum of six exclusive articles a year, with the first one appearing next month.

The magazine's joint editor-in-chief, Patrick Mahé, said yesterday that the duchess's brief was to secure intendors and

terday that the duchess's brief was to secure interviews and write features which would be translated word-for-word into

French.
"We do not expect to be disappointed. She is spontaneous, fun and a straight-talker — qualities which we appreciate in France, even if they do not always go down well at Buckingham Palace," Mr Mahé said.

— Alex Duval Smith

Single parent families 'work'

YOUNGSTERS in single parent families feel secure and loved — contrary to popular belief, psychologists claimed yesterday. Far from being rocked by instability caused by a crumbling marriage they report feelings of uncompromised love, according to new

research.

Anne Woollett and Patsy Fuller, of East London University.

found divorce could have a positive effect. Women faced with

bringing up a child alone were found to experience a greater

sense of reward and achievement than other parents, they told a British Psychological Society conference in Oxford, Research presented to the conference also showed children brought up by single mothers were more likely to be tree of traditional femalemale stereotypes.

Proms were big success

THE 1996 season of the BBC Proms attracted record attendances at the Royal Albert Hall, the corporation said yesterday. Eighty-nine per cent of the seats for the main evening concerts were sold compared to the previous record of 86 per cent two years ago.

A total of 240,000 tickets were sold for the two-month season. and a record 72 concerts were held. Nicholas Kenyon, controller of Radio 3 and director of the Proms for the first time this year, said: "Our research shows we have attracted a substantial number of first-time Prom-goers and young audiences." — Andrew Cuif

MP wins libel damages

A CONSERVATIVE MP won £100,000 libel damages plus costs against the Mail on Sunday yesterday. Lawyers for the MP said the story, headlined "Tory MP quizzed as £100,000 of charity money goes missing", was untrue, mistaken and without foundation. The action was brought by Anthony Steen, the MP for South Hants. Mr Steen set up the Task Force charity in the 1960s for young people to give practical help to the lonely and elderly. The case was settled out of court.

Heart surgery wait to end

HOSPITAL chiefs yesterday arranged a new operation date for a seriously III child whose heart surgery has been cancelled five times in three months. Emily Casey, aged two, born with a heart defect, will finally be treated at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, in Bristol, on September 35, it was confirmed. Her parents Clare and Stuart Casey, of Bridgend, South Wales, had earlier spoken of the psychological strain caused by the hospital frequent cancellations at short notice.

A spokesman for the United Bristol Healthcare NHS Trust said: "We will do our utmost to keep that date. We entirely understand the parents' frustration. It has been a most unfortunate and unlucky series of events.

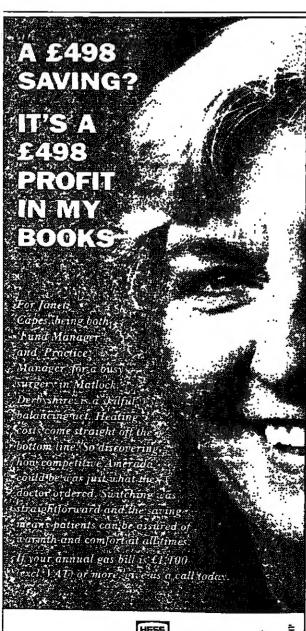
Livingstone attacks council

LABOUR MP Ken Livingstone yesterday demanded a police inquiry into the five-year Conservative administration of Brent

Mr Livingstone, MP for Brent East, made his remarks after a damning report by the local government ombudsman on the way three Conservative councillors, one of whom is no longer on the authority, handled a planning inquiry. A hotelier had given more than £4.000 to the party locally, including a £2,000 donation the day after his application for extensions had been approved.

Apology

IN YESTERDAY'S Diary, it was stated that Independent editor Andrew Marr dismissed the newspaper's dance critic, Sophie Constanti. in May, and replaced her with the crossword editor, Louise Levene. We now accept that Miss Constanti lost her job shortly before Mr Marr took over, and that Miss Levene is an experienced writer on dance in her own right. We would like to apologise to Mr Marr for any embarrassment this may have



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Douglas Hogg leaves No 10 after the Cabinet meeting. Ministers hope for progress with Europe in talks 'behind closed doors'

Cabinet backtracks on BSE cull

Talks with EU on spread slaughter. But European Commission officials have already warned that any reduction in the agreed cult agriculture spokesman, Gavin Strang, said the onus was added. limited slaughter - part of the deal struck at the Florence summit to end the ban on British beef -

Rebecca Smithers

HE Government is backing away from its controversial proposals to limit the mass slaughter of up to 120,000 cattie by launching top-level ne-gotiations with the European Commission over the next

few days.
It admitted it did not know the size of the backlog of a separate scheme to slaughter measures to speed up the pro-gramme and try and identify the numbers outstanding through an "urgent survey" of farms.

The next direct contact between British and European ministers will be at a meeting in Brussels in Monday, when Britain had appeared to be on a collision course over its proposals. The Prime Minister said this week that the Government was forced to carry out a review after receiving fresh scientific evidence

would not be acceptable. Gov-

ernment sources nevertheless indicated vesterday that they were hopeful that some progress could be made "in proper discussions, behind losed doors" After the proposals were

rubber-stamped at the first Cabinet meeting since the summer recess. Downing Street said the Agriculture Minister, Douglas Hogg. would take forward the discussions with the commission and the agriculture industry in the light of the new scientific evidence. He will suggest cattle aged 30 months or over. showing BSE would decline that a more limited cull could gramme would be "divisive as it announced a package of without the need for wide be workable and acceptable. and dangerous". Any such Peter Preston, page 9 that a more limited cull could

 Two senior right-wing on Mr Hogg to hammer out a deal, and condemned the new slaughter measures as "small beer against the scale of the calamity now affecting many

beef farmers". He described the Govern ment's handling of the cull as "absolutely abysmal".

Of the decision to survey farmers to determine the size of the backlog, he said: "It is an appalling admission that ministers even now, six months into the crisis, tell us that they don't know how many cattle over 30 months still have to be slaughtered."

Liberal Democrat spokes man Paul Tyler said a unifateral alteration to the cull pro-

Tories are surveying would-be Conservative MPs for their views on the single currency. Sir George Gardiner and John Townend are carrying out the confidential survey to find how many parliamentary candidates will pledge themselves against scrapping the pound

Sir George, said: "It would give us an immense electoral bonus if it were clear that a majority of Tory candidates opposed joining.

A Conservative Central Office spokesman said: "It is up to individual candidates whether or not they reply to the survey.

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Nick Varley

LABOUR initiative to distribute a computer program to 2,500 schools and colleges in key marginal constituencies last night provoked concern over politics infiltrating the Both the National Union of

Teachers and the Liberal Democrats expressed fears over the CD-rom, New Labour, New Life For Britain A spokesman for the NUT said: "One of the saving said: One of the saving graces for schools is the wastepaper bin, and a lot of unsolicited material goes in it. Headteachers will look at all material coming into the school and all matters of con-troversy will be looked at by

the governors. "Schools are required to give a balanced view of issues of controversy. If something like this is to be used, then alternative views will have to

be presented."
Simon Hughes, Liberal
Democrat youth spokesman,
said he was concerned the
disc contained negative campaigning — a section entitled
Same Old Tories, Same Old
Lies — rather than information on Labour.

"It is a good thing for political parties to seek to talk to young people about what they are about, and in 1996 using CD-rom is an ideal way to do that," he said. "What is not a good thing is seeking to do down your opponents rather than concentrating on a positive message." Mr Hughes said his party's own CD-rom. which has been available for a year, only contains informa-

The CD-rom is part of Labour's biggest youth mem-bership drive since Tony Blair became leader. It in cludes an introduction featuring a speech in which Mr Blair says: "We are back as

the party of the people."

Over the pop song Things
Can Only Get Better, shadow cabinet member Mo Mowlam then says she would like viewers to vote Labour.

"This CD-rom is about Labour. It's about what we stand for and what we intend to do to change our country for the better," she says. "It's not going to be a politician's rant, but obviously at the end of the day I would like you to vote Labour because I think the values and beliefs we stand for will make a

difference."
The CD-rom will be sent to 2.500 secondary schools leges and universities in key marginal constituencies next month. Distribution may be

extended later. Ms Mowlam claimed the content — split 70/30 between Labour policy information and campaign material and general information — could help overcome the political alienation felt by the young. only two in five of whom say they are likely to vote in the next election.

The disc is part of an initiative to boost the ranks of Young Labour, including a fa-a-year membership fee to all under 21s.

Matt Carter, aged 24. Labour prospective parliamentary candidate for the Vale of York, said the drive was about "Thatcher's children into

Arts award shocks opera house architects

James Meikie, Community Affairs Editor

RCHITECTS behind Athe doomed Cardiff Bay Opera House pro-ject last night accused their former partners after the latter won the replacement contract for a landmark arts and entertainment cen-

tre for the same site.
Zaha Hadid, who won the original design competition abandoned last year, and Brian Ma Siy said they "astounded and aghast" when they discovered the Percy Thomas Partnership had been awarded the work.

The decision came after

ing a second contest following the Millennium Commission's decision last year not to back the £90 million scheme, pointing out it had been dropped because of doubts over its fi-

design. But John Rudge, chief executive of the partnership, which has offices in Cardiff, said it won the work over seven other applicants for a "different client, different brief and different budget"

nancial viability, not its

Ms Hadid, who did not apply for the new project, designed a building variously described as a "glass the Royal Institute of Brit- necklace" and a "decon-

ish Architects (RIBA) had structed pigsty". The Carwarned other architects to consider the ethics of enter-up following last year's dis-dropped.

Light word been guardian architecture critic Deyan Sudjic said the appointment and a new organisation, the Wales Millennium Centre, including the Cardiff Bay Devel-

opment Corporation, Gros-venor Waterside, the development arm of Associated British Ports, and the Institute of Welsh Affairs, organised the new bidding for work to include a 2.000seat theatre, a waterfront museum, an IMAX cinema. and offices for the Welsh National Opera Company.

It will probably cost about £70 million and applications will be made to three National Lottery funding bodies, the Millen-nium Commission, Arts Council and the Heritage British Airways building at of the best."

Mr Ma Siy sald: "We are

astounded and aghast. The Percy Thomas Partnership was our associated office We got married to them. To find one's partner has ditched one and done this is ethics for us. They were privy to all confidences.".

The partnership has a large portfolio — Birming-ham's convention centre and symphony hall, Minis try of Defence buildings in Bristol, the second Severn Crossing, the University of Science and Technology in Hong Kong. It also has the work was "middle of the road" and "designed to go for comfort". Mr Rudge said: "We were

working for a very short time towards the end of the demise of their project and cause for a large degree of giving them advice on tech-surprise. It is a question of nical, construction and computing issues which they needed. We were not working in any way on the design so ethically we don't The new clients did not

want anything to do with the past, said Mr Rudge. "We like to think we design award-winning buildings. What we do will not be middle of the road but one

turning Blair's babes". Woman suffers 33-minute witness box ordeal as

Businessman gets 20 years for raping girls

Christopher Elliott

ETER MARTIN, a Man-chester model agency owner and associate of the disgraced millionaire Owen Oyston, was jailed for 20 years yesterday for raping and sexually assaulting teen-

Mr Martin, a 56-year-old former policeman, who denied eight rapes and inde-cently assaulting six girls over 20 years, used his Model Team Agency to lure girls as young as 10. The girls were brainwashed by Martin. One said during the trial it was like "a religious sect — but without the religion"

Martin was found unani-mously guilty of six rapes and five indecent assault charges by the 11-strong jury after al-most 12 hours of deliberation. He was also convicted of two charges of taking indecent photographs of girls under 16. He was cleared of two charges of raping 16-year-old girls and one of indecently assaulting a 16-year-old girl. Martin was impassive when the verdicts were an-

when Judge Brian Carter QC

Martin's former lover and assistant Tracey Grainey, aged 30, who came to his agency when she was 16, was cleared of all four sex charges against ber after a psychiatrist and a psychologist gave evidence that Martin so abused and degraded her that she could not refuse his commands. The charges against Mar-

tin, involving girls aged 13 to were chosen from a total of 64 — including 19 rapes — he originally faced.

Among the victims Martin was convicted of raping was the 16-year-old girl who be-came a rape victim of Oyston. Oyston, aged 62, a friend and business associate of Martin, was sentenced to six years jail at Liverpool crown court in May for raping and inde cently assaulting the girl at his Claughton Hall country home near Lancaster.

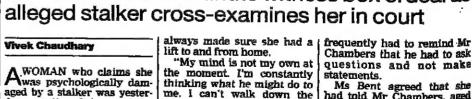
puter company executive brought girls to his home in Sale, Greater Manchester known as the Model House — to stay. The aspiring models were fed a diet of hypnotic nounced, but he blanched drugs, which they believed were vitamin or slimming sentenced him to 20 years in pills, until their will was



Peter Martin . . . raped and abused teenage giris

saulted them until they were just past their 16th birthdays, pefore forcing full sex on to

Despite the length of time over which the rapes and as-saults were carried out, it was only in September 1994 that a formal complaint was made by sisters, aged 13 and 15. Detectives from the Family Support Unit broke into the Model House, in Northenden Road, and found Martin frantically trying to conceal 51



the man allegedly behind the four-year campaign of harass-ment and threats. Margaret Bent, aged 30, appeared distressed and stared at the ground during the 33minute examination by Dennis Chambers at Inner Lon-

day questioned in court by

don crown court.
She said that being stalked by Mr Chambers had caused her to lose weight, take up smoking again, and consult a doctor because of stress. Ms Bent said that since the stalking campaign began, she had stopped going out alone and

"My mind is not my own at the moment. I'm constantly

me. I can't walk down the street without looking around. He doesn't know how he has affected me. When I see him it makes me feel scared, worried, sick some-times. If there's a sudden noise or quick movement I jump. That never happened to

me before."
Mr Chambers, a delivery driver of no fixed address, who is defending himself, claimed that Ms Bent had threatened to "blow his legs off" and had invited him to a threatened to "blow his legs off" and had invited him to a night club on several occasions.

Judge Quentin Campbell towards the end of 1994, be-

occasions. | towards the end of 1997, Judge Quentin Campbell | came increasingly aggressive.

questions and not make statements Ms Bent agreed that she

had told Mr Chambers, aged 37. that she would get his "legs blown off. It was my way of telling him to leave me alone," she said. Mr Chambers denies griev-

ous bodily harm with intent. grievous bodily harm and

affray. Earlier, the court was told that Mr Chambers met Ms Bent in 1992, when he tried to chat her up as she was walking along a street in Brixton.

Big rise in deaths in police custody

Alan Travis Home Affairs Editor

EATHS in police custody have risen sharply in recent years, with 50 recorded in the year to April, accord-ing to Home Office figures published yesterday.

The figures, showing a steen increase on the 18

nounced it had begun an investigation into the death of a 68-year-old man at West Bridgford police station in Notice has this work. Nottingham this week.
The new Home Office bulle-

tin on police complaints and

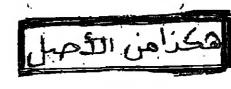
however, fell by 5 per cent to 23,600. of which 749 were substantiated. For the first time the Home

recent years, with 50 recorded in the year to April, according to Home Office figures published yesterday.

The figures, showing a steep increase on the 18 deaths recorded in 1993, were published as the Police Complaints Authority (PCA) and the figures with 117 cases arising substantiated.

For the first time the Home Office has published numbers of deaths in police custody for deaths in custody for deaths in custody reported between April 1995 to March 1996 include 19 at police stations.

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Child barred after 30 assaults on staff and pupils

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FIVE-year-old primary school pupil has been excluded from a school in Essex after carrying out 30 assaults on teachers, ancillary staff and fellow pupils, it was disclosed yesterday.

The boy, who has not been identified, carried out the attacks over several months. The school decided to expel him to avoid further disruption to classes and meals, said Essex education department spokesman, Mike

Mr Barnett said the child's behavioural problems resulted in kicking, hitting and punching assaults on teachers and staff serving lunch. There were also numerous assaults on classmates and complaints had

Mr Barnett said it was "a control of the county council, the authority intervened on her behalf but could not get mersion consistently, and the her reinstated. Mr Barnett very rare occurrence" for so young a child to display ag-gression consistently, and the primary school had patiently tried to resolve his problems before deciding that, for the good of the whole school, the child should be refused further teaching. The boy is now

receiving home tuition, cost-ing between £4,000 and £6,000. Essex education authority also revealed yesterday a grant maintained school near Chelmsford excluded a 16-year-old girl from GCSE ex-aminations after the home aminations after she became

the school governors, whereas the law required the head teacher to decide, and then be endorsed by the governing body.

been received from parents. | schools are outside the direct | easily possible outside school.

said he was concerned that some grant maintained schools were using unsatisfactory parameters and emed more ready to expel for comparatively minor of-fences. One boy had been ex-cluded for smoking a ciga-rette and another for

exposing his bottom.

Mr Barnett said among grant maintained schools there appeared to be an incon-sistent approach, with expul-Mr Barnett said her expulsion deemed a better option than making a significant had been done unilaterally by the school governors.

The education authority was concerned about the pregnant girl's exclusion because GCSE success depended heavily on the completion of Although grant maintained | course work, which was not

Pressure increases as problem pupils soar

Authorities seek more funds to meet 40pc rise in special needs

Donald MacLeod ducation Correspondent

HE number of children in school needing special help for behavioural or learning difficulties is soaring, government figures will reveal today.

Local education authorities are pressing Gillian She-phard, the Education and Employment Secretary, for increased funding to cope with a 40 per cent rise in the proportion of children in mainstream schools with statements of special educational

Increasing pressures on school resources and teachers' time have contributed to a series of confrontations over disruptive pupils, such as the unresolved dispute over a 10-year-old boy at Man-ton Junior School in Work-

sop, Nottinghamshire.
The rise is good news for parents, who are having their applications for statements of

code of practice. The sixmonth rule, combined with moves by many authorities to close special schools and integrate physically and mentally disabled children into mainsteam classrooms, has contributed to the rise from 153,000 pupils in 1991 to 211,000 in 1995.

But schools such as Manton junior are having to find extra money to meet these needs from their own budgets because authorities had no additional resources, accord-ing to Graham Lane, education chairman of the Association of Metropolitan

Authorities. "When the new system was introduced we were assured there would not be any additional financial burden on schools," Mr Lane said. "But the huge growth in demand for special needs education is knocking such predictions for

"The Government is still denying the need for addi-tonal funding, putting ever cessed quicker under a new | budgets and the welcome | school today.

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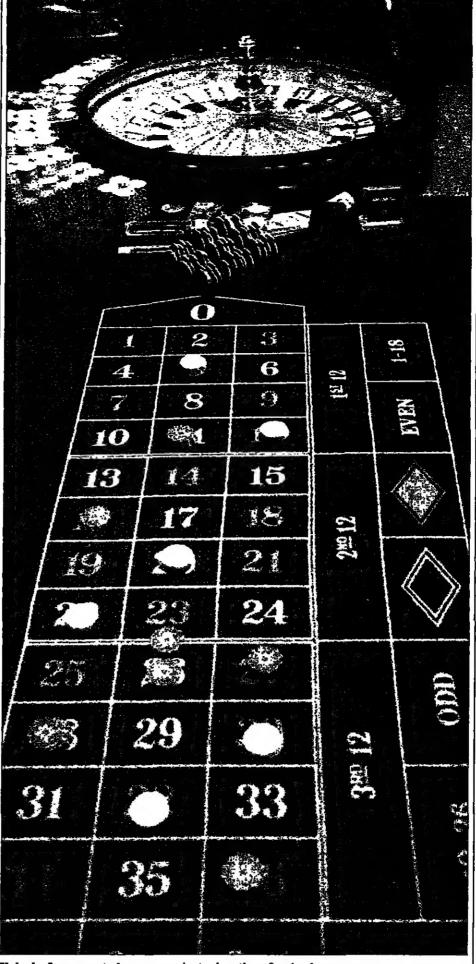
integration."
Mr Lane also urged Mrs Shephard not to give in to demands from teachers and headteachers to curtail the rights of children and the powers of governors.

'The Government must be

wary of the temptation of making legislative changes on the hoof," he said. "It would be a total disaster if children and their parents were denied the right of appeal to an independent body. Without such rights, many children could find themselves unjustly put out on the

Last night Manton Junior School parents were meeting the chairman of the county's education committee, Fred Riddell, to discuss the dis-pute. Some withdrew their children in protest at Matthew Wilson, aged 10, receiving individual tuition at an estimated cost of £14,000 a year in a deal to avert a strike by teachers.

An earlier meeting between parents and school governors broke up without agreement on how to resolve the dispute



Unlucky for some: study warns against relaxation of casino laws photograph; kenneth saunders | University, defines prob- | outside casinos.

Casinos

Lottery blamed as study finds 1.5m hooked on gambling

Alan Travis Home Affairs Editor

BRITAIN has up to 1.5 million "problem gamblers" with more than 500,000 who can be classed as "pathological or compulsive", according to Home Office research published yesterday. The study warns minis-

ters that their plans to relax casino laws could lead to increased crime and need to be accompanied by measures to prevent and treat problem gambling.

Its authors say the report is the first published by the Government to acknowlege the potential scale of problem gambling. "We have seen a massive

expansion in gambling blers Anonyomous pro-since the launch of the National Lottery. Everyone available yet it has not assumes it is harmless entertainment but nobody is monitoring its effect at all. That is extraordinary, said Sue Fisher, a senior research fellow at Plymouth University, and co-author of the study.

"There should be no more deregulation until we take stock of the level of problem gamblers in Britain and what it costs them, their families and society." The Home Secretary Michael Howard, has announced plans to allow casinos to open in 13 new towns, to relax the 48-honr waiting period for casino membership, and to lift the current bans on advertising and credit facilities.

But the Home Office-com missioned report concludes that any such deregulation package should recognise the scale of problem gam-bling and the severely limited treatment facilities available.

The study by Ms Fisher,

lem gamblers as those whose habit disrupts or damages their family, personal or recreational pur-suits. They range from those who have significant debts as a result of gambling, to those who have had to borrow in the last year to pay gambling debts,

to those who steal. The estimate that there are 1.5 million problem gamblers in Britain is based on evidence from the US, New Zealand and the Netherlands, which sug-gests that just over 3 per cent of the adult population are problem gamblers. The report says that prevention and treatment programmes barely exist in Britain.

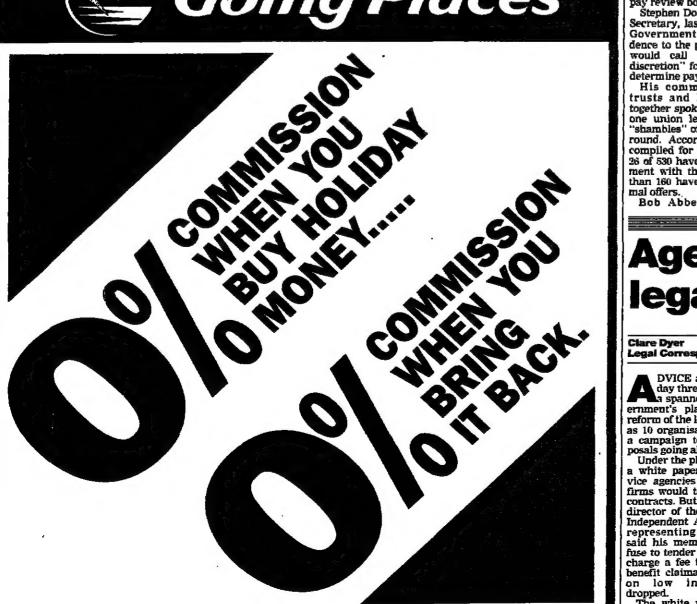
For most gamblers the 12step quasi-religous Gamgramme is the only help available yet it has not proved to be the path to recovery for the majority. "Provision in the UK has, until now, been extremely poor," say the authors.
A Gamblers Anonymous

spokesman said: "The figares in this report must be about right because we have 240 centres around Britain and believe that for every addict who comes forward for help there are another 50 who do not."

A third of compulsive gamblers spent more than 40 per cent of their annual salary on gambling and surveys of Gamblers Anonymous members show that 85 per cent of them have become involved in crime.

International compari sons show that men tend to prefer core casino games such as blackjack and roulette while women problem gamblers favour bingo, lot-teries and gambling machines. British youngsters prefer slot machines, which are seen as highly addictive

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'Discretion' urged on nurses' pay

David Brindle, Social Services Correspondent

URSES should have no national pay rise next year, the Government will today tell the profession's pay review body. Stephen Dorrell, the Health

Secretary, last night said the Government's written evidence to the pay review body would call for "maximum discretion" for NHS trusts to determine pay rises locally. His comments came as

trusts and health unions together spoke out over what one union leader called the "shambles" of this year's pay round. According to figures compiled for the trusts, only 26 of 530 have reached agreement with the unions. More than 160 have not tabled for-

to work in the future."

body awarded a national rise of 2 per cent from April this year, to be topped-up locally. But although this was announced in early February, progress at local level has

Mr Dorrell, who was

that the Government doesn't learn from experience. Clearly local bargaining has not worked and is not going

The Government's evidence on nurses' pay, which will be the same on therapists' pay, echoes what it said last year when it called for a "minimal increase" in pational rates and "maximum scope to make modest total improvements" locally.

In the event, the review been very slow.

addressing the annual confer-ence in Birmingham of the Bob Abberley, head of NHS Trust Federation, said

lodged by today — would "seek for trusts the maximum discretion for meaningful local negotiations". Asked later if that meant no

national pay rise, the minis-ter said: "I am not going to answer that question." Mr Dorrell insisted that trusts were finally starting to take advantage of their free-

dom to determine local pay rates. However, Anne Galbraith, who chairs the federation's human resources committee, told him: "Never has so much energy been expended to try to sort out so little money."

Earlier, trusts heard from their own pay adviser that they had allowed the trade unions to make the running

health for Unison, the biggest | the Government's evidence | tants, told trust leaders: "I NHS union, said: "It seems | for the 1997 pay round — to be | think the unions have got the initiative. I think you have lost it and I think that is a scandal."

The average offer was 2.75 per cent, including the 2 per cent national rise, Mr Stewart said. The typical settlement was a total 3 per cent, but four had been for 4 per cent or

Mr Abberley described the outlook as a shambles and typical of the "1970s British Leyland style" industrial relations the Government had forced on the NHS by insist-

ing on local bargaining.
Warning that staff in one trust in Newcastle-upon-Tyne had already voted for industrial action, Mr Abberley told trusts: "Don't come bleating to us about not having the money. Under the on pay.

Gordon Stewart, of Beaufort Management Consul
days by the money. Under the British Leyland system, it's your problem — not ours."

Agencies fight legal aid plan

Clare Dyer Legal Correspondent

DVICE agencies yesterday threatened to throw a spanner into the Gov-ernment's plans for radical reform of the legal aid system. as 10 organisations launched a campaign to stop the proposals going ahead.

Under the plans, outlined in a white paper last July, advice agencies and solicitors' contracts. But Steve Johnson. director of the Federation of Independent Advice Centres representing 900 agencies, said his members would re-fuse to tender unless plans to charge a fee for legal aid to benefit claimants and others

The white paper proposes that agencies should means test applicants and that they could only give free advice to people on income support. If a | radical reform of the legal aid case went to court even those on benefit would have to pay a fee, possibly £20.

dropped.

Mr Johnson said that agenscheme if they "had to collect | payments for the poor.

charges and were required to means test clients leaving some of those who don't qualify without a service".

Other organisations supporting the campaign are: the Law Society, the Advice Services Alliance, Liberty, Justice, the Child Poverty Action Group, Shelter, the Public licity is good publicity.

Law Project, and the Legal would again prove true.

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Scarred by headlines two Action Group.
Some agencies now mount

Thomas, director of the CPAG, said proposals to make litigants on legal aid pay their opponents' costs if they lose would make it impossible to find people to bring a test case. We need to be able to tell claimants who are thinking of fronting a test case that they will not face any per-sonal liability."

Implementation of the reforms may never happen if the Government loses the general election. Labour supports system, including block contracts for advice agencies and measures to control lawyers' fees. But it opposes cash limcies would boycott the its for legal aid and one-off have also been dropped -

Resort not so glad to lose grey

Martin Wainwright

borough yesterday, hoteliers were praying more than ever that the old saying "All pub-

Some agencies now mount test cases in the names of individuals on legal aid. David away in their luxury coach, dismissing the resort as "too boring", the Queen of the Yorkshire Coast was tottering from another blow.

Saga Holidays, the specialists in breaks for the over-50s, announced that the golden sands named by Skarthi the Viking have been dropped from their next year's op-tions. Customers' deeper purses, and yearning for something more exciting than a cliff-lift or beach donkey, have edged the firm's bro chure towards hotspots like Malaysia and Uzbekistan.

Conventional coach tours to Scarborough - or Newquay and Morecambe which

said Saga chairman Roger de Haan. Today's grey tourists, the first generation brought As a greyish sort of surf up on overseas package holiqued the promenade and beach at Scar- to places with sea and sand to places with sea and sand and — Scarborough's fre-

quent flaw — reliable sun. Chief resorts officer Kevin Barrand dropped what appeared to be a sizeable brick when he shared with a Yorkshire Post reporter the de-scription of the Saga end of the market as "old farts".

A rescue operation was mounted last night, with Susan Ewer, of the Scar-borough Hoteliers' Associaas important and much appre-ciated. The clifftop benches, — many, oddly, facing away from the sea — were also wellfilled with appreciative visi-tors, none of whom will see 50

Mr Barrand, meanwhile, was in rival Blackpool at the TUC conference, consoling himself with the most important statistical result of the Bulgarian snub. The story went around the world and is thought to be one of the main reasons why visitor numbers have been losing popularity, this year have gone up.

IRAQ CRISIS: Clinton ready to rescue local helpers ● Baghdad threatens Kuwaitis ● Arab world hails its hero

Turkey 'blocks US airlift' of imperilled dissidents

Thomas Lippmar in Washington

HE Clinton adminis tration is prepared to conduct a helicopter 2,000 Kurds and other Iraqi dissidents in northern Iraq who worked for the United States, but the refugees remain trapped because neighbouring Turkey is reluc-tant to let them in senior

American officials have said. Those seeking to flee Iraq are mostly encamped near the Turkish border, awaiting an opportunity to cross. They do opportunity to the state of the iniminent danger, a US official said on Wednesday, since they have not dispersed into the mountains for protection.

The US would use its heli-copters based at Incirlik, in

and White House officials all denied reports from the region that the airlift was already under way. Saddam Hussein, who reas

serted his control over north-ern Iraq last week, has branded those who worked for Washington as "traitors", and their lives are in danger administration officials said. The state department

spokesman, Nicholas Burns, said: "We have identified several thousand people who were with us over the last five years, and these include people who have worked with us, and their family members who are at peril ... We're attempting to bring them to safety."

This is not the first time people who worked with the US abroad have been

In Iraq, the people in dan-ger are Kurdish separatists and dissident Iraqi Arabs who worked for the US and allied military forces in Operation Provide Comfort, en-forcing the "no-fly zone" or distributing humanitarian aid to the Kurdish population.

could provide the first test of relations between Washington and the Turkish administration of Necmettin Erbakan — the first Islamist government of the Nato ally. Washington's contact is largely with the moderate, pro-Western foreign minister. Tansu Ciller, but she reports to Mr Erbakan.

Mr Burns said it "made sense" for the US to "try to get [the refugees] out of Iraq, because if we don't we cannot yesterday.

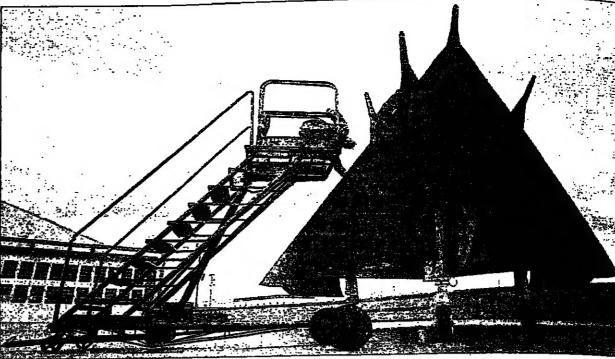
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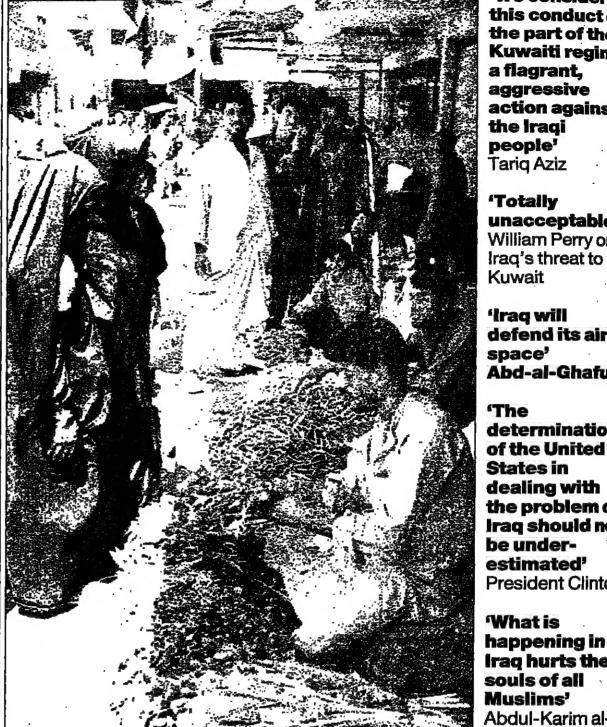
State department, Pentagon

In Iraq, the people in dan-

"We're going to continue to ment about this problem. We hope very much that the Turkish government will agree with us that we need to complete this operation quickly and protect these people." — Washington Post. ● Kurdish refugees yester-day accused the Iraqi-backed Kurdistan Democratic Party (KDP) of executing 25 fighters Kurdistan in violation of an amnesty, the Iranian news

agency Irna said. Meanwhile, one person was killed and another was wounded when Iraqi troops and KDP forces fired at Kurd-





fighter at the United States' Holloman air force base in Alamagordo. New Mexico, is readled for yesterday's deployment to the Gulf PHOTOGRAPHS: JASSIM MOHAMED AND BILL HAINES

'We consider this conduct on the part of the Kuwaiti regime a flagrant. aggressive action against the Iragi people' Tario Aziz

'Totally unacceptable' William Perry on Iraq's threat to Kuwait

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Don't count on Bombs rebound us, say French on Washington

RANCE expressed its "deep concern" yester-day at the latest escalation of tension in the Gulf as international anxieties grew about the possibility of additional United States military action — and Iraq took verbal aim at Kuwait.

The Iraqi deputy prime minister, Tariq Aziz, told Ku-wait it would be committing "an act of war" if it allowed US warplanes to use its territory for attacks on his

"We consider this conduct on the part of the Kuwaiti regime a flagrant aggressive action against the Iraqi people and an act of war against the state of Iraq . . . and we are confident that fair experts in international law, Arabs or foreigners, would confirm this conclusion." Mr

Washington maintained its tough stance, however, and again implied that a largescale strike on President Saddam Hussein would come soon. William Perry, the US defence secretary, said the Iraqi threat to Kuwait was

'totally unacceptable''. B-62 bombers and Stealth way to Kuwait last night as part of the US build-up. Kuagreement with the US in sup-port of its decision to allow in which criticised last week's

Iraq was far from alone in its criticism of US actions. Gulf war allies and a leading sceptic over last week's Cruise missile attacks, im-

support.
"We are in contact with the US and we believe it is necessary for the partners in Operation Provide Comfort to continue to consult on their and on their intentions," a foreign ministry spokesman Jacques Rummelhardt, said.

France broke ranks with the US and Britain last week by refusing to patrol the expanded no-fly zone in south-ern Iraq. Jean-Claude Mallet. the ministry's director of strategic affairs, made clear yesterday that French pilots in the Gulf had been instructed to seek clearance from Paris if asked to come to the assistance of US planes.

US officials acknowledge that efforts need to be made to keep the French happy and the deputy secretary of state, Strobe Talbott, has had con-Russian officials in Paris. French coolness contrasted

with the strong support being given to the US by Britain, which has again agreed to the use of its Diego Garcia base in the Indian Ocean for B-52 bombers — and is involved in consultations about the new attacks. Britain has lined up

squarely with Washington's new line that the West must concentrate not on the Kurds in the north but on Saddam's attacks, has said little this week but Western diplomats predict an angry response if

new attacks are mounted. The Arab League, mean-while, said it would not discuss US threats of another air plied that Washington was strike on Iraq during a week-acting unilaterally and could end ministerial meeting.

Maggle O'Kane in Amman

LONG the green em bassy belt in the hills overlooking the Jordanian capital of Amman, Western diplomats have no doubts about the potential impact of another American attack on Iraq.

"Clinton is creating a hero with these attacks," said one diplomat who has been in the region for two years. "Saddam can say to the rest of the Arab world, Look at me, the Americans think they can walk all over us Arabs and I'm the only one that's standing up to them'

Another Arabic speaking diplomat, who regularly makes the 15-hour journey to Baghdad, said: "Saddan must be very pleased with the last two weeks: he's got control in the north, his secret police are wiping out the opposition still hiding there, the Iranians have got the shove and he's become ing a symbol of Arab

But it is not just the diplomats in Amman who vonder if the Clinton administration is doing the right thing. Jordan, Iraq's neighbour, is a land of computer programmers and in-vestment bankers where there is no love for President Saddam Hussein, but yesterday — at least among the centre of town, the the dozens of people the Guardian spoke to — there most newspapers. "He's on was not a single voice in favour of air strikes.

Carol Lowson, a Briton who has spent 20 years working in Bahrain, Ku-wait and Jordan, explained: "Underneath, the like Saddam, but he be-longs to them. They rememthings here and they don't like them thinking they can

Emaha Ali, a housewife, says she is not political, 'but I have feelings, and they're rushing in to this thinking they can fire off their B-52s and their Stealth bombers whenever they want". Laher Zantout. an accountant, aged 36, also attacks the haste. those years of saying they couldn't possibly get in-volved. But when it comes to Iraq, it's straight in with

Despite rumours of a ummer of coup-attempts and assassination bids against President Saddam. diplomats in Amman say reports of internal unrest in Iraq are exaggerated by opposition groups in exile.
"If you listened to all the

rumours during the sumer, be's already survived being poisoned by a chicken sandwich, being killed by an underwater bomb when he was swimming near his home town in Takrit or being blasted from the air one Sunday when he was in one of his new palaces," said one diplomat.

most newspapers. "He's on the cover of every magazine in the world now," said Josep Kasim, an engineer aged 36. 'I feel bad. They have given him a big boost in the Arab world — the Saddam Hussein expiry strongest thing is the Arab | date has been extended."

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Eastwood 'sabotaged' film career of has increased sharply ex-paramour

ian Katz in New York

WHEN Sondra Locke filed a palimony lawsuit against her former boyfriend, Clint Eastwood, the celluloid hard man did not invite her to go ahead and make his day. Instead the actor offered to help her secure a lucrative film development deal with a big Hollywood studio if she

dropped her suit. But the £1 million contract he brokered with Warner Brothers was designed specifically to stymie her budding

career, she alleges.
The actress and director is suing her former paramour for £1.35 million, alleging fraud and contractual "This deal with Warner

Brothers was a sham," her lawyer, Peggy Garrity, told jurors on the first day of their civil trial in Burbank, Califor-nia. "It caused her serious harm and destroyed her directorial career."

Ms Locke claims the deal was used by Mr Eastwood to duck a potentially costly palimony battle. A secret clause in the agreement required him to reimburse the studio for any expenses it accrued from the contract and most of the original sum paid to Ms Locke was billed to Mr Eastwood's film, Unforgiven,

she claims.
Between 1990 and 1993 Ms Locke, aged 49, proposed 30 films to Warners, all of which were rejected. Her previous two films were well reviewed but commercial flops. The suit claims Mr Eastwood used his influence with Warners to persuade them not to promote her 1989 thriller Impulse. Mr Eastwood has denied

Brazil's claims of

progress are ill-founded, reports

Diana Jean Schemo in Rio de Janeiro

EFORESTATION has increased sharply in Brazil since the 1992 Earth Summit, despite gov-ernment claims that stricter environmental laws had slowed destruction of the Amazon rain for-

est, new figures show.

Fires and logging have consumed an area of forest the size of Denmark in just a few years. The data, which covered deforestation from 1991 to

1994, appeared to support assertions by environmental groups that a drop-off in deforestation by 1991 was caused more by an economic downturn than by significant government significant government

action.
It also put an end to government claims that deforestation had continued to decline in the years since the Earth Summit, when the Earth Summit, when 118 countries gathered for the largest environmental conference ever held, and Brazil enjoyed the public relations windfall of seemingly having gained control over the destruction.

"I think in the mind of many people, the burning of the Amazon rain forest had a beginning, a middle and an end," said Stephan Schwartzman, a senior

Schwartzman, a senior scientist at the Environmental Defence Fund. The new data, he said, contra-dicted that impression.

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The data shows that deforestation rose by 34 per cent, from 4,296 square miles in the 1990-91 burn-sion yesterday announced ing season to 5.750 square miles a year by 1994.

Amazon deforestation

Analysis of the data for last year is expected to show a greater increase, since many recent fires were detected raging in virgin forest, said Philip Fearnside, an ecology pro-fessor at the National Institute for Research in the Amazon, in Manaus,

As the updated figures were issued, the government announced a series of measures to crack down on director of natural and the illegal logging of mathe illegal logging of ma-hogany, and increased to 80 per cent, from 50 per cent, the share of property that landowners in the Amazon must preserve as tropical forest.

The measures came shortly before a meeting this week in Bonn where representatives from the Group of Seven leading in-dustrialised countries are gathering to evaluate a £185 million fund for pilot

rain forests.



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extra funding of about £85 million for the so-called PPB, a joint project be-tween the Brazilian govern-ment, the European Union and World Bank to save the

By the eve of the Bonn meeting, the discovery of irregularities had caused the cancellation or suspension of 62 per cent of the 1.200 authorisations for cutting mahogany and vir-ola, said Paulo Beninca, the Brazilian federal environmental agency. The next step, he added, will be en-

forcement in the field. The new measures wo praise from environmentalists, but many said they could gauge their importance only after seeing how seriously they would be enforced. Many worry that the action will die down when international attention fades. — New York Times. Conference clash poses Euro-sceptic headache

Tories try to block Dublin EU summit

John Palmer in Brussels

HE British govern-ment has made a lastditch attempt to post-pone the special European Union summit in Dublin, scheduled to be held just days before the Conservative Party conference next month, Irish EU presidency

officials said yesterday.

France and Germany want to use the summit to help to break the deadlock on the Maastricht treaty review negotiations on closer political union, while stepping up the drive for a single currency

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But John Major fears the meeting will only inflame Tory Euro-sceptics, who intend to use the party conference in Bournemouth to demand that he rules out Britain's participation in the monetary union

"During the recent discussion by EU foreign ministers in Tralee about a special sum-mit, [the Foreign Secretary] Malcolm Rifkind said he was doubtful whether it would serve any purpose. But it was agreed to go ahead with the summit on October 5," an Irish official said yesterday.

"Now the British government has written formally to us retterating their objections in very strong terms. It seems they would prefer it is can-celled." The Tory conference begins on October 8.

Given the enthusiasm of President Jacques Chirac and Chancellor Helmut Kohl, which the state will pay em-Dublin is most unlikely to ployees' pensions. In return bow to British pressure. "We the government will be paid a

have taken soundings today in other EU capitals. Other dates are impossible, the con-clusion looks like 'press ahead'," the official said.

Government sources con-firmed they have expressed "considerable doubts" about the summit to the Irish government. "From the point of view of ministers, this is not the most opportune time for such a summit. We certainly remain to be convinced that it value," said one.

There is no question of Mr Major leaving Britain's sum-mit seat empty. But while France and Germany have scaled down their ambitions for a new political union treaty and moved closer to Britain on defence and foreign policy. Mr Major will not want to reveal in public at this stage any concessions he is ready to make

These include acceptance that, in future, common EU foreign policy proposals should be prepared in Brussels rather than by national capi-tals. Britain is also ready to drop its objections to the incorporation into the Maastricht treaty — for the first time — of a new international security role for the EU, including

Meanwhile, in a move which will make it easier for France to meet single cur-rency conditions, the European Commission is expected to approve an agreement between the French government and France Telecom under

lump sum of £5.5 billion — 0.4 per cent of GDP. If approved, the deal would Paris a painless way of bringing its budget deficit closer to the 3 per cent target set out in the Maastricht treaty. The commission has con-

firmed that a study of the growing importance of serrices in European economies is likely to lead to a wholesale after 1999, making it easier can achieve anything of for countries in the single currency to respect long-term ceilings on budget deficits and government debt

> week moved close to an agreement on a long-term single currency "stability pact", which will be discussed by finance ministers in Dublin It provides for financial sanctions against countries

Governments also this

which run persistent exces-sive budget deficits after monetary union. Agreement on the pact will meet a key German condition and make it easier for Bonn to agree to a "more flexible" application of the single currency criteria.



President Jacques Chirac of France addresses the Polish parliament yesterday during a visit PHOTOGRAPH JACKY NAEGELEN | forum. — Reuter.

Chirac backs Poles

Anthony Barker in Warsaw

RANCE hopes Warsaw will join the European Union by the year 2000, the French president, Jacques Chirac, told the Polish parlia ment yesterday.

Mr Chirac said in a speech to both houses that talks on EU membership for Poland should begin in just over a year. He also supported Way year. He also supported Warsaw's desire to join the Nato alliance, saying the process should begin next year "in an irreversible way".

Although Brussels officials

suggest that 2002 would be a more realistic date for Po-land's EU membership, given the time needed for negotiation and ratification, Mr Chirac's aides have said Warsaw could achieve its goal two years earlier with some

concessions. Mr Chirac proposed that a conference be called to gather candidate countries and the 15 member states, not as a substitute for entry talks but as a political and economic

Crunch vote on cuts for Kohl

ian Trayno: in Bonn

HANCELLOR Helmut Kohl of Germany faces a crunch parliamentary vote today, needing to muster an absolute majority to push through controversial spending cuts aimed at enabling the country to qualify for a

Key elements of Mr Kohl's austerity drive cutting sick pay and child benefit, and making it eas-ier for small firms to shed employees — were rebuffed yesterday by the opposi-tion-controlled upper house, or Bundesrat.

Mr Kohl could override that opposition today by securing 337 votes in the 672seat lower house. His coali-tion of Christian Democrats and Liberals has 341 seats. meaning that a three-line whip is being applied to pack the chamber.

Today's vote caps a four-day debate on the budget for next year — the yard-stick year for deciding which countries are fit for the single European cur-

Democrats rejected over-tures from Mr Kohl to co-Mr Waigel said this operate in the drive to boost the economy, claim-ing the government had pursued "rotten" policies that had taken unemployment to a post-war record of about 4 million, and the country to the cusp of

The trade unions have been warning of strikes and mass resistance to the aus-terity measures, which hit welfare benefits and raise the retirement age while in-cluding tax breaks for business and other supply side

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measures to boost the economy. Theo Waigel, the finance minister, argued that there was no alternative to the package, which is likely to be approved today.

Bonn and Paris appear determined to defy popular resistance and anxiety to push through the cuts to get their budget deficits and state debt levels under the ceilings set by the ticination in economic and monetary union.

The French and German finance and economics ministers and the central bank chiefs are to meet in Ba varia next week, in what is being seen as an attempt to co-ordinate their positions before a meeting of BU fi-nance ministers in Ireland next weekend.

But the grim reality of poor economic performance threatens to wreck

Bonn's best-laid plans. Wolfgang Schaeuble, Mr Kohl's number two, hinted yesterday at the need for more cuts. The government has admitted that its projections for this year have already been rendered redundant by soaring unemployment, consequent The opposition Social loss of tax revenue, and

> Mr Waigel said this week that the budget deficit would be closer to DM70 billion (£30.5 billion), rather than the budgeted DM60 billion, a 16 per cent increase. Last year's growth forecasts were also overly optimistic.

Mr Schaeuble said yesterday that once the cuts being place, a balance would have to be drawn later in the year to decide whether spending would need to be further throttled to meet the EMU conditions.

News in brief Pakistan stalls on test ban

Pakistan yesterday welcomed the United Nations' nuclear test ban treaty but said it would not sign the document until it was first signed by

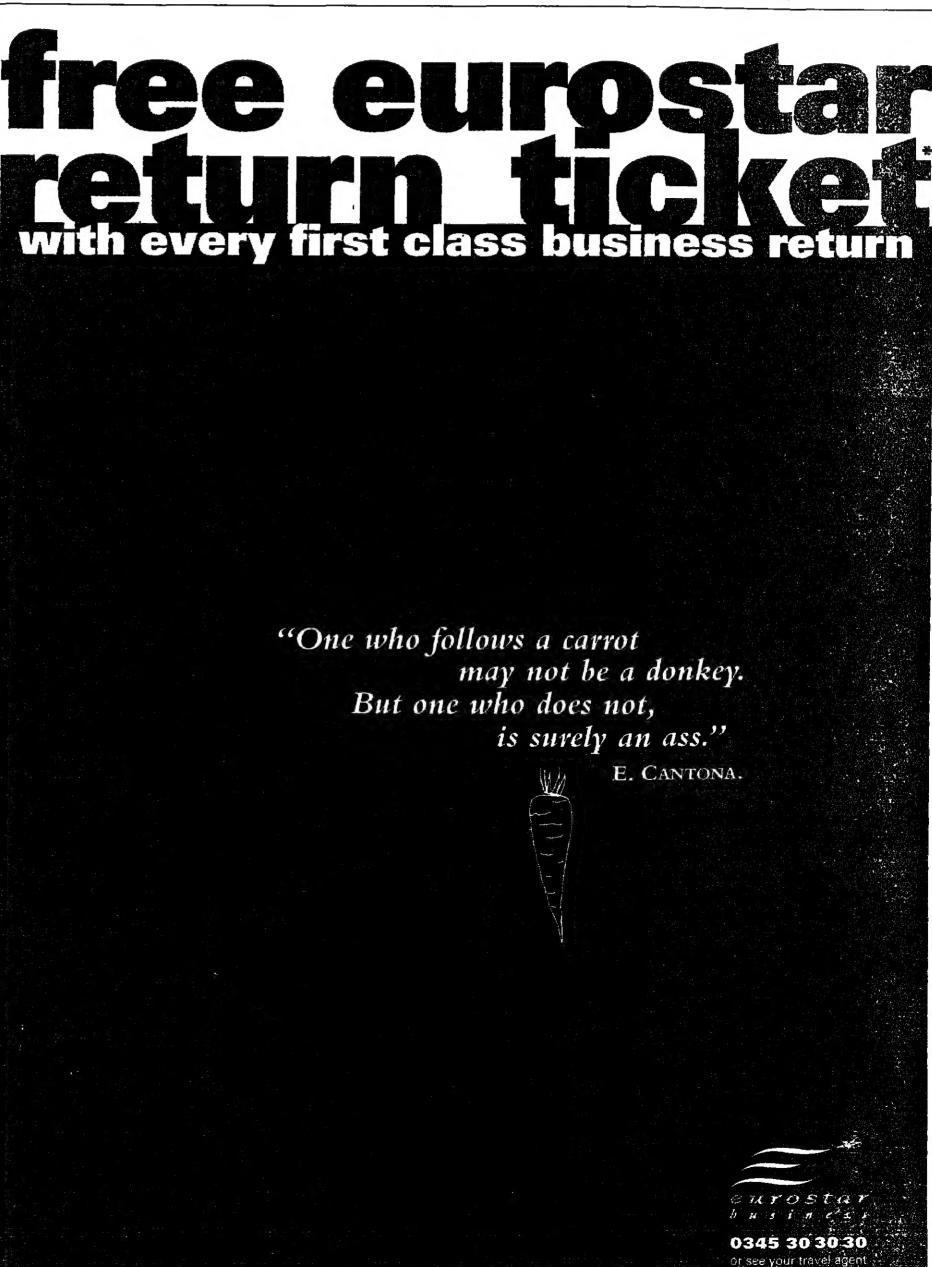
India. A foreign ministry spokesman said the Pakistani gov-ernment was determined to reserve the right to respond adequately to any nuclear es-calation by India". — Reuter.

Soccer deaths

Eleven members of a women's football team were killed in Nigeria after their bus ca-reered into a deep river near Lagos. The roads were slip-pery from heavy rains but the cause of the accident was unclear. — AP.

Mafia raid

Italian police burst in on a dawn summit of suspected Naples mobsters yesterday and arrested seven people thought to be Mafia leaders. Dogs and helicopters were used in the operation, which found two pistols, — Reuter.



*Free ticket is a standard class Eurostar return. Offer applies to business first and premium first tickets that are issued in the UK for travel on or before December 31st 1996. Free ticket travel must be completed by 31st March 1997 and is subject to availability.

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A lifeline for pensioners

Ditched by both parties, they need urgent help

dal. Take 10 million pensioners. Cut their income by £1,000 a year — or by £1,500 if they are married — thereby collectively depriving them of £9 billion annually. Now rip out the heart of the second state pension scheme (Serps) and then add VAT on vitally-needed fuel and extra water charges. Observe the gap between the top 10 per cent and the bottom 10 per cent of them widening to a position where there is now a fivefold difference. Note, seventeen vears into a Conservative administration, that 3.8 million of this group still only survive through means-tested benefits and another 600,000 who should be claiming, either through pride or ignorance, do not. Now ask yourself how this 10 million vote in elections. Unbelievably, compared to all other age groups, in significantly higher numbers for the Conservatives.

supporters - march on Trafalgar Square to stake their claim for "fair, sufficient, earnings-related and guaranteed state pensions". They accuse the Government of "abandoning its responsibilities to today's pensioners and to younger generations". There will be a (The pension industry has still not recovered from the scandal under which six million people have been bribed by ministers to leave their company or the second state scheme to take discover they were losing 25 per cent of their contributions in fees and administrative charges.) Where the basic pension represented 21 per cent of average shrunk to 14 per cent today because of the 1980 decision by ministers to break its link to the earnings index. On current trends it will shrink to nine per

Tomorrow, pensioners — and their "here, here" from the next generation.

So should the first goal of tomorrow's insist on the poor having priority.

CONSIDER the following social scan- march be a pledge to switch the "grey dal. Take 10 million pensioners. Cut power" vote to Labour? That would be unwise. Labour may not have wreaked the damage, but their current proposals fall far short of repairing it. Rarely have there been more weasely words than Labour's recent pension package with its promise to maintain the current value of the basic pension. In other words, the basic pension will continue to shrink as a proportion of national average income as earnings rise. If, in opposition, Labour is only ready to give the most vague of commitments ("pensioners should share fairly in the increasing prosperity of the nation"), do not expect them to restore an earningsindex in office. But there is something worse. The party has rejected the proposal from the National Commission on Social Justice, set up by Labour in 1992, of a guaranteed minimum pension which would have lifted all pensioners' income to above the current means-

tested income support benefit level. The aim was to ensure "every elderly person receives at least this guaranteed level of income, without the stigma and inefficiency of means-tests". It would have been claimed automatically on retirement. It would not just have helped the millions on means tests, but the 600,000 who do not claim and on average lose at least £700 a year. This was social justice in action: ensuring the poorest pensioners get the most help. Now it has been abandoned even up private pensions only for many to though recent surveys by the Department of Social Security show that the gap between the better-off pensioner and the poorest will continue to widen. Of course there are more comfortablymale earnings in 1979, it has now off pensioners than before but this minority must not be allowed to hide the poverty which still exists. Only one in 10 retired people has an income above average male earnings. But all pensioners have an equal vote. They should

Bosnia: too little and too late

If the joint arrangement fails separatism will surely follow

ing delivered in recent days by interna- partite presidency fails to function, tional officials were really backed by then that will doom any prospect of international resolve, then that would | legal and administrative reality. In any vastly brighten the gloomy atmosphere case the Dayton formula entr of tomorrow's elections and their probable outcome. The Serbs have been told sharply, by a senior adviser to High Commissioner Carl Bildt, that "secession is not an option." An assistant US secretary of state has declared that out any formal declaration of "there's not going to be any secession, and the Serbs know that." There are comforting forecasts that a breakaway Republika Srpska could not survive on its own - and it is certainly true that once prosperous Serb-held cities such as Prijedor now have empty shops and derelict streets, and that the victorious nationalist Serb parties will have their hands full coping with economic disaster. Yet secession offers a useful morale-raising diversion, and the notion of a separate state has been prominent in most of the Serb campaigning. The Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe, in its supervisory role, has taken only token and tardy action to ban such propaganda.

The paradox of the Dayton agreement was there from the start. An accord designed to maintain the unity of Bosnia divided it into two separate "entities." Tomorrow's election will create new joint and constituent representative bodies side by side. As our correspondent in Sarajevo reports today, this gerous phase as the weakness of these

NO SECESSION in Bosnia? If the warn- | new institutions is revealed. If the tribulk of administrative power to the two constituent entities - the Muslim-Croat federation and the Republika Srpska. If the joint arrangement fails, separatism will triumph with or withindependence.

The situation on the ground is hardly encouraging. Very few Muslims will venture into Bosnian Serb territory to vote as they are entitled to. Those who do so will be under escort by NATO soldiers. They will be further outnumbered by the Serbs who come from Serbia proper to vote. A new image now joins the gallery of sadness created by the Bosnian war — that of the Muslim who returns to his or her native town under armed guard, and is not even allowed to turn off the main street to inspect the family home.

US and European officials have promised to move into high gear once the elections are over, and focus on how to continue international involvement in Bosnia in the New Year. But nothing can be formally decided till after the US presidential election. All will depend on another London conference in early December which will not even have the status of a second Dayton. The odds are still depressingly in favour of the intermay usher in a potentially more dan- national effort being once again too little and too late.

Mourning glory (that's the story)

The truth may be that Oasis are just sulking in their tents

SO OASIS have finally had enough, | dramas for all they're worth, seems to though whether it is of each other or be as much in the dark as anyone. America is as yet unclear. The word from their record company last night was that "internal differences" had put a premature end to their tour of the States and that all future commitments were now in doubt. But it doesn't take extensive knowledge of fraternal relations within the Gallagher family to realise that future commitments have always been a little in doubt, and that without internal differences they

wouldn't have a lot to say to each other. two years when one or other of the put the band's future in jeopardy, and on the whole it has done them no harm | strain has started to show. As a result, a at all. This time may be different. It is

If this really is the end, the band's supporters can at least claim that they are bowing out at the top. Yet the view might not look quite so rosy from across the Atlantic. The American tour out of which Noel has just stormed has been far from the success that might have been anticipated when the band were fresh from their triumph at Knebworth. By quitting now, he leaves not only a lot of angry concert promoters but also a lot of people whose enduring Rare are the moments over the last memory of Oasis will be their feeble posturing at last week's MTV music brothers hasn't been doing his best to awards. America has not taken to the band as the band would like, and the split coming at this point looks rather not Liam but the rather more phleg- like a fit of pique. The boys should play matic Noel who appears to have pulled up the internal differences for all they the plug. And their record company, are worth. Otherwise, some might say normally adept at exploiting these little | they are merely sulking.



The minimum is victory Government for Greens is the natural antidote to the grey life

the proposals of Tony Blair and David Blunkett on employment and industrial relations. To win, of course we must attract the support of as many voters as possible, but to suggest that they would sacrifice principles in this en-deavour is completely untrue. Labour in government must epresent the interests of the whole nation. That means listening to the views of unions and employers — as we will do, for example, in establishing a low pay commission to determine the level of the minimum wage in the light of

A global economy and a growing domestic small-business sector require strategies on minimum standards in the workplace and on training policy which meet the needs of the future rather than the past. That is why we have proposed a combination of a learn-as-you-earn smartcard, an extension of the Investors in People programme to small business, and a new University for Industry as ways of reaching out to an increasingly diversified workforce in modern Britain.

It is also why we will encourage employers who meet minimum standards of fair-

NOTE that you failed to ask

any press officers or junior BBC staff what they thought of Peter Snow's self-indulgent

attack on "bullying spin doc-tors" (BBC veteran criticises

'bullying' spin doctors, September 11). Had you asked

a press officer for 10 years

working for three Labour

leaders, I'd have said that

there are few bigger bullies than Peter Snow. I suspect

many BBC people would have

said the same.
I have witnessed Mr Snow's

bullying style on more than

one occasion, most notably

when he stormed into John

Smith's private office at a

Labour Party conference

three years ago demanding that the then leader reconsid-

er his decision not to do an interview with Newsnight.

Might I suggest the headline — Pot Calls Kettle Black?

Press Officer to Tony Blair.)

Scientific research sug-

sure to country music makes moles more prone to suicide

(British Association reports, September 12). Surely the sci-

entists got it wrong. Country music makes most of us not suicidal but homicidal —

towards sad urban cowboy

singers with nasal whines

anyone wearing rhinestones

line dancers and people in lumberjack shirts, especially

N his letter (September 11)

D Davies reports that half-price Christmas cards are on

sale in Scarborough from the last week of May. That is nothing. Woolworths in

Southport sells half-price Christmas cards on Christ-

CHRISTMAS (Letters. September 6, 11 and 12) should be like the Olympic

games — every four years. Bruno Hartwell.

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Garth Brooks.

mas Eve.

Stalvbridge. Cheshire SK15 2SZ.

Nigel Ashton

95 St Luke's Road,

Southport, Lancashire PR9 9AJ.

Nigel Williamson.

High Beeches, Biggin Hill, Westerham, Kent.

Hilary Coffman.

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Bully boy

ARRY Elliott (Everyone's turn now, September 12) misunderstands for companies in the field of investment, innovation, emplovee involvement community relations and environ

mental protection. Labour in government wants to develop a genuine partnership approach. But in order to implement our policies, it is vital that we win the election, which is why Labour must be prepared to put forward principled and positive proposals, attack the Conservative record and counter Tory lies every day until we have actually won. To do otherwise would be irresponsibly complacent. Stephen Byers MP.

Shadow Minister for Training and Employment. House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA

CONGRATULATIONS to Larry Elliott for speaking sense about trade unions. The reason you need a trade union is the same it always: to protect you as an individual worker against the superior power of your employer and its managers. Anyone with experience of work knows how hard it is to get managers to keep to agreed procedures (if they exist) or to treat you fairly without union representation. Industrial

BUT I WANT TO CHANGE IT TO RHODES IN CASE LEVER HAYE A COUNTRY NAMED AFTERME

A country called Smith

Rhodes is the only person

apart from Simon Bolivar to

have a country named after him (The man who bought Af-

rica, G2, September 12). The Cook Islands, the Falklands, Gibraltar (Jebel-al-Tariq), the

Gilbert and Ellice Islands, the

Solomon Islands, Colombia,

British Columbia, Vancouver

Island and Pitcairn Island are

or were "countries" named for specific individuals. Tasma-nia, a separate country until

Australian confederation in

1900, was first named for Van

And what about St Lucia, St

Vincent, St Kitts etc? Perhaps Godwin would have been safer

Diemen and then for Tasman.

ETER Godwin is wrong only country to be named when he claims that Cecil after a grasping capitalist of

can make an employer take bitration is fine, but who makes the rules or sets the criteria for the arbitrator(s) to work by? To work it also means unions having emorceable recognition and negotiat-

John Ryan 57 Ruegg House. Woolwich Common, London SE18 4HA.

OHN Nicholson (Letters, September 12) states that the last Labour (Callaghan) government caused the win-ter of discontent by "implementing the IMF cuts in the public sector" and so he ex-cuses the trade-union leaders. My memory has it that the Transport Workers, under Moss Evans, were the main leaders of opposition to the 5 per cent pay guideline and the lead was given by a 17 per cent rise to the Ford workers. This was quickly followed by claims made by the bakers, engineers, British Oxygen workers and then the lorry drivers and tanker drivers. The then trade-union leaders should certainly accept that they bear a heavy responsi-bilty for the subsequent four terms of Tory rule. Mr Nich-olson should check his facts. David Smith.

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after a grasping capitalist of dubious morality, but then

T is ironic that at the outset of European expansionism

entire continent should not be

named after Columbus, the

ambitious explorer, but after

Amerigo Vespucci, a scientist

who demonstrated that Co-

lumbus's "discovery" was, in

European eyes, a new world.

his tendentious messar

(Dr) Iain Stevenson.

46 Grange Road,

Julio Davila. 4 Petherton Road

Herts.

Bishop's Stortford

S John Vidal serious when he suggests to the Green Party (Crisis in the greenery, September 10) that we should "support our natural allies".
Real World, and "yell from the sidelines"? The Green Party was the first to welcome Real World's launch. It is also the only party supporting the en-tire Real World programme, but it is not going to abandon its electoral strategy.

The Greens are a political party and have the temerity to imagine a Green government, but this requires the support of all those who want an ecologically and socially sustainable economy. Real World lob-bying is a distraction. The grey parties will not change in

any meaningful way.

The initiators and supporters of Real World could, however, bring the prospect of Green government nearer. The grey parties will not change in any real way unless they start losing votes. If you want them to change the best way is not to lobby from within. It's to take their votes. It's time the British Green movement faced the uncom-fortable world of electoral politics. David Taylor.

Green Party Principal Lockyers Farm, Dundon, Somerton, Somerset TA11 6PE

OHN VIDAL leaves out an important element in the quasi-socialist nature of the Green Party causes it to ignore a huge, sympathetic support in the centre and can-tre-right of politics. In the 1969 Euro-election it was evident that thousands, perhaps mil-lions, of Conservatives had voted for the Green Party, But those Greens who saw it as a radical, progressive party were uncomfortable with this support. Yet green values are seen by many to be conserva-tive values — caution, restraint, continuity, limits, respect for environmental

integrity.
The Conservative Party's scorched-earth economics show that Conservatives do not conserve. This country which works with, not against, the grain of British society. A party which seeks to marry the experience of the older populist traditions to the new wisdom of political ecology, uniting those instinctively moved by, with those philosophically committed to, con-server politics.

George Williamson Co-ordinator, ECO (The Campaign for Political Ecology). 42 Rose Terrace,

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War criminals and Bosnia's poll

WAS, until last month, the | who has falled to comply with Mission Senior Liaison Of-ficer to the Deputy Head of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina.
The OSCE staff member

who is quoted in your article (UK funds Serb war criminal, September 5) as saying that political campaign funds are available for "all political parties", and that the OSCE "cannot censor them", has a fundamental misconception about what governs fund distribution. No. the funds are not automatically available to all political parties; and the party received OSCE-ad-yes, the OSCE can censor ministered funds for its polit-

Perhaps this staff member should be shown the list of indicted war criminals in the former Yugoslavia in which for Robert Frowick, or his Arkan appears prominently, or read the General Framework Agreement For Peace ("Dayton") which states that "no person who is serving a sentence imposed by the In-ternational Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, and no c/o Postbus 20061. person who is under indiction 2500 EB Den Haar ment by the Tribunal and The Netherlands.

an order to appear before the Tribunal, may stand as a candidate or hold any appointive, elective, or other public office in the territory of Bos-

nia and Herzegovina"

Ambassador Robert Frowick successfully used Robert this ruling in July, to dis-place Radovan Karadzic from the presidency of the SDS under the threat that the party would be banned from participating in the forthcoming elections if Karadzic did not relinquish his post. That ical campaigning while Arkan continued as party leader is a total and utter disgrace.

It is not too late however deputy. Sir Kenneth Scott, to give immediate notice to the Serb Unity Party to ditch Arkan forthwith or face having its results in the elections de clared null and void. Arjuna Kannangara

2500 EB Den Haag.

The smack must beat a retreat

to say that Rhodesia was the London N5 2RD.

ECENT media coverage of the 12-year-old boy seeking a hearing at the European Court, and your article (Bru-Peter McBride. tality begins the cycle of punishment, G2, September 11), do not recognise how children's rights in this country are

Children have a right not to be punished cruelly or in a way that would belittle them (Article 37, United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child). This would include the use of implements such as canes, belts, slippers or elec-tric flex. None of these should be tolerated in such a society be tolerated in such a society or considered as "reasonable chastisement". The Govern-ment should give a lead by the aboliton of all weapons used

against children.
The UN Convention (Article also says that children have the right to be protected However, in the current cli-mate of "hang-em, flog-em and smack-em", it seems that their rights and the voices of those | are more likely to appear.

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AM 88 years old. When I was at school I was caned regularly and made to wear a plac-ard hung around my neck "I must not be late", for many subsequent days. I held my hand under my armpit until it stopped hurting.

I had two sons who became headmasters, much loved and respected in their schools, with no resource to humiliation or violence, which only breed defiance and obstinacy. am full of sympathy for the Hilda Troth 16 Raymond Avenue.

Great Barr, Birmingham B42 1LX.

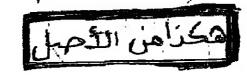
We regret we cannot acknowledge receipt of letters. We may edit them: shorter ones

A Country Diary

DORSET: To have preserved | land and hedges (and thereby for this and subsequent gen-erations a six mile stretch of the coast between Charmouth and Eype has to be a signifi-cant and welcome achievement by the National Tiust. The Golden Cap estate, bought in various sections since the launch of the Enterprise Nep-tune campaign in 1965, encompasses not only the coastline but a good landward slice of the farming hinterland and, on a coast evidently under constant pressure, it remains a textbook example of land and coastal management. The pressures on all our accessible pressures on an our accessione stretches of coastline are obvi-ous. If left to market forces there would clearly be no un-spoilt coastline left at all. A caravan park, or even worse the serried ranks of permanently stationed mobile homes, would be found at every beachhead. So, on a coast clearly under pressure, the National Trust have done extraordinarily well. Working farms under tenancy agree-ments which specify farming practices designed to conserve the natural habitat of grass-

give hedgerow birds a chance) fill the landscape up to an interesting coastline. Golden Cap at 618 feet is a dominant natural feature, Stonebarrow Hill a commanding central viewpoint. Over a week in late August, during which we stayed near Bridport, we walked through much of the estate. The quiet shingle beaches at Seatown and Eype were both fine for a swim at the breakpoint in walks from Langdon Wood. The cliffs are on the move here — sandstone overlies liassic clay and the shifts after rain produce fall-ing cliff edges and the under-cliff which can also be seen along the coast at Lyme Regis. The pub at Seatown, a settle ment which has clearly lost coastline to erosion over the centuries, provided welcome sustenance before we climbed back up to Langdon Wood with a kestrel hovering over the undergrowth before us despite a buffeting northwest erly wind. On the beach the wind was, happily, deflected well over our heads.

COLIN LUCKHURST



COMMENT AND ANALYSIS 9

Diary

Matthew Norman

N what promises to be one of modern history's more dramatic legal showdowns, Postman Pat is threatening to take the Communications Workers Union to court. Far from the 'very happy man'' he claims to be, Pat feels little solidarity with his brother mailmen. According to the merchandising agent Copyrights, he is furious that his image is appearing on placards and leaflets being used in the current indus-trial dispute. The union's general secretary Alan Johnson has received a letter from Copyrights's Nicholas Durbridge, stating that, breach of copyright apart. "our client is con-cerned at the inappropriate-ness of a pre-school children's character being

associated with such an adult problem as a trade dispute . . . We would be grateful therefore if you could forbear from involving the much-loved character in the current dispute in which he has no proper part." Mr Johnson was said yesterday to be flabbergasted. The position of Jess, Pat's black and white cat, is unknown.

EANWHILE, in another enticing use case, a sub-editor other enticing test fired by the Manchester office of the Daily Sport for inventing quotes is suing the paper on the grounds that he was paid to do exact ly that. When asked to illustrate a feature on promiscuous women with a picture of a topless model, Mr Mc-Hugh made up a quote from her about sex on a plane, and was sacked - ostensiby for putting the paper at libel risk but really, he insists, to make way for a cheaper employee. "All of us were aware we were producing absolute shite," says Mr McHugh, in one quote few could find remotely fishy.

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Goldsmith grabs the headlines, news arrives of a more obscure political party dedicated to this country's withdrawal from Europe. Its name, excitingly, is New Britain. On a recent visit to Bourne, the local paper observes, New Britain held a meeting in a Darby and Joan club.

N his elegant Daily Mail

column, my friend Richard Littlejohn considers Peter Snow's attack on spin doctors. Richard recalls covering the 1992 election alongside Alastair "Bob's Boy" Campbell, in the days when Ali reported for his then. Richard recalls, "he seemed to see his main role as trying to persuade us to write flatteringly about Nell Kinnock". This, he continues, "was why when Tony Blair consulted journalists — me included — about who he should appoint as his press officer . . ." How encouraging to see Richard playing a positive role in the creation of New Labour. The funny thing is that, just for once,

N ingenious twist to solving an old prob-lem comes from Huntingdon, where the council this week responded to comscuring a speed-limit sign on a verge. Locals who expected a workman with a pair of shears were amazed, says the Northern Echo, when a man arrived instead carrying welding equipment — and raised the sign by four feet. Graham Tissiman. York Council's head of highway maintenance, confesses to an "internal communciations problem". adding endearingly that the workman acted "with the best of intentions".

you could have made it up.

EST Of Enemies, the new novel from Mi-lady Eve Pollard's Splash! trio of authors, has won a late reprieve from the dustbin, to which the lack of sex in the opening chapters appeared to have consigned it. At the last moment, a fax arrived from Headline Publishing. "Perservere," it says, "turn to pages 56, 57, 96, 97, 159, 160 for sex." We will — but such pleasures are only heightened by tingling anticipation (they're not looking for a fourth writer, I suppose?), so we must wait until next week.

AKE 'Em Laugh, a comedy show scheduled to begin today (Friday the 13th) at Leeds City Varieties Theatre, has been cancelled after two of its star comedians died.

WELL PLAY BY CASIS RECORDS TO GET UPTHEIR FIGHTING SPIRIT:



I don't want Brussels to ban the Mail, but.

Commentary

Peter Preston

S IT a tide? Is it a beam?

Either way, we're talking Filth with a capital F (and the Daily Mail is leading the charge). "Europe's judges", according to the Mail's lead story on Wednesday, have given "Continental TV pornographers the right to flood Britain with a tide of filth". And, worse, they seem shamelessly inspuriant about shamelessly insouciant about it. In the words of a subsidiary headline: "Let the TV filth beam down, say judges". If such a tale's worth doing, it's worth doing commodiously. The European Court of Justice, apparently, had "de-clared that governments have no right to ban satellite channels as long as they are legal in the countries in which they're based". A senior Euro Tory talked of "carte blanche for pornographers". Tory backbenchers were already

fury and ripping up the Treaty of Rome before breakfast

You would not have guessed it from yesterday's Mail (three limply evasive sentences at the very end of a story at the foot of page 13) but this story, with the foam-ing edifice constructed upon it, was wrong: wholly, abso-lutely, ravingly, heedlessly up the creek. It bears nil relation to present or future reality. Try a few mundane facts. In 1989 the Commission in

Brussels and its ministerial masters agreed a directive on "television without fron-tiers". TV is a touchy political business. The usual fudges and compromises in-evitably applied. The directive was not a classic of precision and was thus variously interpreted by various member nations. The Commission doesn't

like musby, chaotic directives any more than govern-ments (call Michael Howard) like mushy, chaotic legisla-'enraged". The Mail ran an actually happened this week: states — like Britain — had wouldn't want a Europe signally uncorrected.

entire page of an editorial blending smacked children, Spanish haddock and now this "insatiable meddling" over filth into a rich stew of the increasing propensity of the increasing propensit the French and Flemish halves of that snarly country to do their own thing: reject ing some incoming cable or satellite television channel --just like the BBC -- which for one reason or another, they didn't like. (At the sharp-

est end, cartoons: no Filth in sight or question.)

The less important case was mere tidying up. The 1989 directive (free markets again) made it clear that the approval of the channel-originating state was paramount. If that state applied the directive's tests and duly approved a new channel, then all mem-ber countries were bound to take the programmes. It wasn't, however, so clear whether the first state in the frame was the one where the satellite broadcaster in question had its head office or the 'up-linking" country whence

programmes were beamed up to the satellite. Usually (Sky, CNN et al) no problem, be-cause the same country did both. But sometimes (Red Hot tion. One perfectly normal Dutch) a difficulty, because way of clarifying confusion is the offices and the beam were to take it to court. That's what | in different lands and some

legislation which made the up-linking country respon-sible, whilst others had chosen the head-office option.

Please could we all do the same thing? That's what the European Court of Justice has decided this week. It's the approval of the country where the broadcaster has its registered office which

None of this has anything to do with floods of porn. The directive's original authors thought of that. A clause "for the protection of minors" gives any member the right to act unilaterally when a filth flood threatens. They can do what Virginia Bottomley has done many times already: prohibit the sale of de-coding cards here, making the chan-nel commercially null and void. That safeguard is abso-

The foaming edifice was wrong: wholly, absolutely, ravingly, heedlessly up the creek

lutely unaffected by the new European ruling. Our defences remain completely in place. Indeed, because there will be no more hassles over which country is the prime mover, the Luxembourg decision was probably bad news for porn merchants

There are few total fans of the 1989 directive (me included): but its fundamental thrust is a sound one, worth frothy bile, any rampaging rigorously defending. I paranola, goes — and goes

where the Belgian govern ment (say) banned the sale of the Daily Mail because it didn't like Paul Dacre's leader line. (Don't scoff: governments around the world pull that stunt without drawing breath.) Equally, then, I want television channels to want television channels to be similarly, ubiquitously available. A freedom issue everyone can understand, with safeguards everyone can

see in action.
There now, is that clear? The European Commission issued a press statement after the Mail tale which sought to make it so. Mrs Bottomley's Heritage Department did like wise. Scant trace of such actuality in Mr Dacre's pages.
Readers will only remember the Porn Tide Judges,
along with the litany of

straight bananas and banned double-decker buses — the familiar garbage of Euro-delusion. Does anyone, in the fishing farrago, mention the British trawlermen who sold their quota franchises to the Spanish for cash? Does any-one, amid the BSE blather, recall that Britain has taken its case to the otherwise reviled Court of Justice? Does anyone explain the difference be-tween that EU-rule-clarifying court and the totally unrelated Court of Human Rights, which Britain initiated after the war and which brought you, amongst other things, justice for thalidomide victims and final sense on the Spycatcher saga?

Tony Blair, demon eyes and

all, can answer back when the propaganda hysteria grows Europe, its courts, its institutions, its actual decisions, has

My part in the virgin's bad hair day



ODAY'S ISSUES (1) Let's rock! As you will have gathered, my public-relations company, Bel and Frendz, has had its hands firmly on the propeller of the new Church of England Yuletide marketing campaign.
It all came about after I met the lovely, lovely Dr George Carey at the suggestion of Humphrey Carpenter for a light salad lunch and a few

bottles of wine. One thing led to another, and in the end the Church told Bel and Frendz that they would be prepared to launch a very expensive advertising campaign to attract the young if we could statistically prove that there was a need for it. Hey presto! An extensive \$200,000 market-research campaign (memo to self: bill CofE for research soonest) came up with some truly convincing

terviewed in our scientific survey, specially conducted in ganza full of other sexy guys n' gals your own age OR attending a long, boring church | killer. surrounded by crotchety old people, blimey, are you the sort of wimpish, acne-clad oner who would prefer to go o church?'

Yet to the next question: "But if the Church threw money via top PR company Bel and Frendz into a trandy Christmas poster campaign to attract youth, and we then offered you a four-pack of Fosters and a year's supply of Ecstasy, do you think it would have any sort of effect?", an astounding 75 — that's over 15 per cent, or in other words per cent — replied with a Happens Next?
resounding "Yes". My lips are fi When we showed the guys

ble. So we at B&F banged our that? Eve tells Adam to stop heads together, and after well over 15 minutes' desperately hard work came up with the winning slogan you'll have seen widely praised.

virgin, you've just given birth | the world, worst luck. and now three kings have shown up. Find out the happy

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make up for the odd 100 who are put off by it.

We're also planning to follow up the Bad Hair campaign with a state-of-the-art radio commercial featuring Liam Gallagher. "Oh, Sally can't wait," he will sing, "she knows it's too late, da da da God." We're privately con-vinced that this will attract many more youngsters to church. Liam himself has been contractually bound in a mega-deal with Canterbury Promotions plc to utter the expression "Ob. God" clearly into the microphone at least twice per gig. What's good enough for Oasis must surely be good enough for God -that's the message we'll be getting across to the lovely, energetic youth of this country come Yuletide. Let's

ODAY'S ISSUES (2)
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to the great classics. In just
this past week, Emma Tennant has produced a sequel to survey, specially conducted in the language of youth, 12 of them — that's fewer than 5 per cent — answered "yes" to the following question: "Given the choice of freaking out at an all-night rave discovery and the following that the previously content is meant to bring out Austen's previously understated love of choice of freaking out at an all-night rave discovery and the following that the previously content is meant to bring out Austen's classic Sense and Sensitivity, and so too has remained to be a sense and all-night rave disco extrava- concentrates on Austen's darker, more menacing side as Britain's first woman serial

My agent, bless her, has now secured me a contract with Doubleday to write a long-awaited sequel to the ever-popular Paradise Lost by John Milton. In the original, you may remember. Adam forced out of "Paradise" - an area experts now place somewhere between Islington and Belsize Park — by an assertive God. Of course, Milton wrote his own sequel, but it had disappointing sales, perhaps because the whole thing by now seemed so far-fetched So as ever, the problem for the just 2 per cent less than 100 | true sequel writer is What

My lips are firmly scaled — but I think I'm allowed to drop at Church HQ these figures coupled with our expert analysis finance to self: bill CofE for analysis sconest), they gave the go-ahead for a Bel & Frendz poster blitz this Crimble. So we at R&F henced our that? Fire talk Adam to the could ask for more than that? Fire talk Adam to the could ask for more than crowding her in. Adam tells Eve he thinks there's another person in her life. Eve tells Adam that that's a typically en widely praised.
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Nazi gold and the news

David Cesarani argues that the presentation of history as news is unhelpful in enabling us to deal with the its moral and practical implications

other controversies that revolve around property and questions of restitution or compensation, such as the contested ownership of looted artworks held in Russia. The magnetic power of these issues suggests that the generations for whom the war is distant history can most easily relate to it through sensa-tionalism and by analogy

with current preoccupations, such as fiscal probity.

Of course, there are many banal reasons why some epi-sodes of history remain inaccessible for ages, particularly in Britain with its culture of in Britain with its culture of of the past that qualify for official secrecy. Comprehenthis treatment are "secrets", sive histories can only be written when researchers were unknown when they have access to all the source material including contemporary reports, memoirs, oral are "unearthed" they are exhistory and official docu- perienced in the present. ments generally released after a lapse of 30 years. Intel- mentary or reading an article ligence sources are the last to in which "secret history" is be disclosed, but they rarely add more than detail to the unfolding. We were not take up the compensation by the Nazis from the central Southampton University and Director

NE of the intrigu-ing questions arising from the latest "revela-lockade of Nazi Germany tions
conduct of Swiss banks during and after the second world war is why it took so long for this particular chapter of history to hit the headlines. The fuss also says a lines. The fuss also says a smeat deal about our relations are deal about our relations. Smith published an admirable account of how the Nazis shundered Europe's central allies tracked tions" about the and the hunt for looted gold plundered Europe's central banks, how the Allies tracked stories from the Nazi era, it hinges on "secrets" and "new" documentation. It shares a common theme with cess to classified material, the recent Foreign Office report adds marginally to this study.

adds marginally to this study. To most people, however, it is news, and the media have cultivated the spurious notion that no one knew these facts until they "revealed" them. They have fed the appetite of a public which can only connect with the past when it is something happening now. Ours is an age of hyper-Ours is an age of hyper-fashion and instant gratification in which anything "old" is staid and boring. The past can only be "brought to life" if it too is new. The only bits events or their causes that

Anyone watching a docu-

dead and becomes something in which we ourselves participate. "Told here for the first time", it becomes virtual his-tory in which we are actors. Even solid historians find they must play this game, selling their projects to trade and academic publishers as "a major new revision" or work "based on previously" mans expelled from the Sudetenland by the Czechoslovak government after the war are escalating their demands for the restoration of lost land and property. The victims of work "based on previously unseen documents", often

Soviet archives". This results in an inflation of expectations amongst the public. It also fosters suspicion and paranota. If it is 'new' 50 years later, why was it concealed? The sense of betrayal is especially acute amongst the losers in history. Yet the

from "newly opened former

plaint and compensation. Fifty years ago, the vast ma-jority of Holocaust survivors picked themselves up and started new lives. Some went home initially to see if they could recover their houses or property, but many wrote it claims. I off. They were glad just to be alive, and too trained in cynicism to expect fair treatment. When Israel negotiated a

reparations agreement with West Germany in the 1950s, thousands of survivors rioted outside the Knesset, the Israeli parliament, condemning the deal as "blood money". Nothing could give them back deed, some elderly refugees and more than detail to the uniforming. We were not compensation by the Marks from the central solutions of many solutions of compensation by the Marks of compen

here, in our newspaper or on our TV screen. History ceases to be the realm of the boring by children or grandchildren washed their hands of "nonurged to seek compensation by children or grandchildren for whom such recourse is more natural and acceptable. Jews are not alone in this quest for recompense. Ger-mans expelled from the Sude-

and property. The victims of Swiss faced real dilemmas of Communist expropriation throughout Central and Eastand the Allies, as well as the ern Europe are clamouring for restitution. And let us not forget the British survivors of the Japanese labour camps.
In these, and similar, cases history has been reduced to litigation. The object of mem-

ory, the past, has become the memory of objects: land, prop-erty, cash. This makes the past instantly accessible to the amnesiac readers of the recent vociferousness of Jewish survivors of Nazi genocide has other sources than
anger that their shabby treatment was covered up or igmored for so long.

We live in a culture of comwe live in a culture of comtime, the ultimate case of race discrimination, the defama-tion-mongers to beat them all. Allan Lamb, wronged women police officers, Holocaust survivors — all appear in the present in the courts, making claims. It all makes sense: or

tory-as-news is driven by stereotypes. The story of Nazi gold appears logical due to the concatenation of sym-Nothing could give them back their former lives or compen-sate for lost loved ones. Such the vast mass of Jews mura response is barely credible | dered by the Nazis were poor in today's climate when we people living in Poland, the are all "survivors" and everyone is a potential litigant. In The wealth looted from them was insignificant compared

monetary gold": it was more trouble to recover than it was worth to them, although for the survivors it was all they

might have had.

The image of the malevo-lent "gnomes of Zurich" serves automatically to ex-plain Swiss conduct. But the Nazis, used their services. The notion of perfidious Albion underlines the treatment of Britain's role. In retrospect it was outrageous that the British colluded in the concealment of looted gold and made no effort to help survivors of Nazi persecution recover their assets. Yet Brit-ain felt a debt of gratitude to the Swiss for preserving an island of democracy in Nazi Europe and for services rendered, and had bigger things to worry about. The use of stereotypes has

short-circuited clear thinking. History has been turned into a free-fire zone for the most unlikely of moral avengers. In an editorial on the Swiss banks, the Financial Times declared that "it is not too late to recognise that looted gold is a moral ques-tion". Indeed, but surely this is not a unique case and, well, isn't that sort of thing still

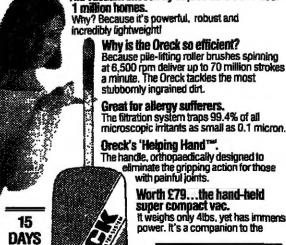
going on?

It is a depressing thought, but the popularity of many stories left over from the Nazi era may be explained finally because they allow us express moral indignation about Realpolitik and business practice without tackling the instances of treachery and exploitation occurring under our noses, today.

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Rugged road to stardom

cowboy pictures reinforce the theory that it's a world women are ... virtually no-where, it was always felt. rather reluctantly, that "femi-nine interest" had to be supplied. Joanne Dru, who has died aged 73, ably and prettily supplied that interest in a dozen Westerns, two of which were among the greatest Howard Hawks's Red River (1948) and John Ford's She Wore a Yellow Ribbon (1949).

Yet the actress once com-plained that "while a Western is a good bet for the producer and the male star, it seldom does anything for the woman

in it".

For those who sought a gay subtext in Red River. Dru was an intrusion into the Freudian character study in which a macho John Wayne is faced with a sensitive Montgomery Clift, his adopted son. How-ever, the feisty Dru, who has met and fallen for Clift on the trail, reminds Wayne of the woman he left behind many

In She Wore a Yellow Ribbon, as a new arrival at a US Cavalry fort commanded by John Wayne, she is the lovely bone of contention between two young lieutenants, dark John Agar and blond Harry Carey Jr. She opts for Agar, consigning Carey to the same lonely life as Wayne's. Not her fault that some critics would have been happier without this rather childish love triangle holding up the

As an invader into male territory, she might have done better to keep the camp name with which she was LaCock, Born in West Vir-



'A Western is a good bet for the producer and the male star . . it seldom does

anything for the woman in it' with her widowed dress-

maker mother and brother came well known as TV host and actor Peter Marshall). She became a model and chorus girl, marrying Argentinian-born crooner Dick Haymes, whom she met in a nightclub show where she was a "Samba Siren". When he was offered a Hollywood contract in 1944. Joanne set off for California with him, hoping to become an actress.

Two years later, she made her screen debut in the title role of Abie's Irish Rose, an ethnic low comedy. She was delightful as Rosemary Murphy wanting to marry Abie Levy, thus causing ructions in their respective racially stereotyped Irish and Jewish families. The film led to nothing until Howard Hawks spot-

cast her in Red River. Hawks, whose main theme who risk their lives and who saw women as beautiful predators, obviously saw a strength in the petite Dru not immediately discernible to others. She does fight to be noticed, and gets to slap Monty Clift's face with real

was while making the film that she met John Ireland, one of the cast, whom she married a year later after her divorce from Haymes. Right after I made Red River, all I had submitted to

me were Western subjects." Dru complained. "Once you're typed, you're lost." In fact she went straight into All the King's Men (1949). demagogue in the Deep South, for which Broderick Crawford won the Best Actor Oscar. Dru made some impact as newspaperman John Ire-land's intellectual girlfriend who falls victim to Crawford's

magnetism.

She was also in modern dress as a flirtatious gangster's wife in a film noir. 711 Ocean Drive (1950), and as Pride of St Louis (1952). In this biopic of baseball star Dizzy Dean, she leaves him when he starts gambling and drinking. only to return when she bears her husband making a defence of colloquial English on the radio.

With these unrewarding roles, Dru should have been grateful for the Westerns. especially another John Ford classic, Wagonmaster (1950), into which she brought some spice and comedy as a medishow performer who joins a Mormon wagon train heading West. Vengeance Val-



Reluctant star of the West . . . Joanne Dru with John Wayne in She Wore A Yellow Ribbon

tough cattle-ranch foreman Burt Lancaster tries to straighten out his boss's way ward son. Robert Walker More Westerns followed throughout the 1950s. including Southwest Passage (again opposite husband Ireland). the novelty of which was not replaced by camels crossing the Great American Desert. The problem that Dru suf-

resemblance to Red River. ern, reacting to men's actions, with Dru as the arbiter when continued outside the horseoperas, though she did get to act with some of Hollywood's hottest male stars: James Stewart, in Thunder Bay (1953), where she struggled to get the overly-ambitious oilman's attention: Errol Flynn swashbuckling his way into ber boudoir in The Warriors (1955): and Alan Ladd in Hell on Frisco Bay (1956).

Dru also had to submit to the outrageously camp Liber-

and there were signs that she was losing her bloom in an Audie Murphy Western, The Wild and the Innocent (1959), when the baby-faced hero settles for naive Sandra Dee rather than Dru, as a worldly dance-hall hostess

Apart from a few films, and a short-lived TV series about a dude ranch, Guestward Ho! Joanne Dru's career was virtually over in the 1960s. At least retirement allowed her to avoid the rigours of West-erns, a genre which, paradox-

Hall . . . service of integrity

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hate horses." she confes

uary 31, 1923; died September

plined style

expressing the views of the membership in her own disci-

In 1980 she became the first chairman of the United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting, Her manage rial skills were well suited to a role she played for three years into her retirement. She approved syllabuses for registration and established the council's disciplinary function and code of profes-

Catherine Hall sat on the World Health Organisation's expert panel, represented the Council of Nurses and received many honours, including one of the RCN's first fellowships in 1976.

Mary, as her friends knew her, loved walking her Doberman dogs and in retirement made her home in Buckfastleigh, on the edge of Dartmoor and close to Buckfast Abbey, her spiritual home. She me ticulously planned the order of service for her requiem nass at Buckfast Abbey, celebrated by the former Abbot of Buckfast, her friend of 50 years. The service fittingly reflected the dignity and strong Christian faith of a great woman who helped to build a profession.

Jean McFarlane

Catherine Mary Hall, nurse, born December 19, 1922; died August

Staple, director, Serious Fraud Office, 56; Prof Sir Malcolm Sykes, anaesthetist, 71; Keith Thompson, former vice-chancellor, Staffordshire University, 64; Mel Torme, singer, 71; Shane Warne,

Indian heart

Jazz's

Amancio D'Silva

orld's banker

MANCIO D'SILVA, who has died aged 60, was a distinctive virtuoso jazz guitarist and com-poser. Between 1969 and 1972, a series of important record-ings, built mainly around his ings, built mainly around his own early compositions, were released, including collaborations with Joe Harriot (Hum Dono. 1969), Stan Tracey (Reflections, 1971) and other leading British jazz musicians Amancio's musical family

came from Goz and his must

reflected the influences of his

Indian background. He grew up in Bombay, where there was a lively jazz scene, and taught himself to play jazz as a teenager. He gained such a reputation that the then Majazz lover, became factor and bought him his first decent guitar (a Gibson) D'Silva listened and learner from jazz played on Voice of America. Charlie Christian and Wes Montgomery were among his early influ During this period D'Silva met and married his his wife, Joyce, who was teaching in Simla. When, in 1987, on of their three children, Steph-ano, became ill soon after birth, the family flew to Britain for his treatment and remained there after their son's recovery. Jonathan Miller soon introduced D'Silva to jazz producer Dennis Preston, who initiated the collaborations between D'Silva and leading British

azz musicians Following his retirement from performing, D'Silva taught first at Jenako Arts, in at the Krishnamurti International School in Hampshire. recall the profound influence he had both on their under standing of music and also on

their personal lives. A stroke in 1992 partiall paralysed him and curtailed his teaching career. In an interview for Jazz Journal earlier this year. D'Silva made a telling observation on the direction of the New Jazz emerging in Britain. Although appreciative of the adtoday's young players, he is not uncritical: "Technically today we are miles ahead, but .. no feeling. Why do they have to go play jazz? Jazz is something from the heart."

Amancio was a vegan and committed to a holistic view of life. In accordance with his wishes, he was buried in a cardboard coffin in a woodton, where a mountain ash tree will be planted on his

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Amancio D'Silva, musician, bom March 19, 1936; died July 17, THE STATE OF THE S

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Otto Luening

Striking an American note

composers which was respon-American musical language to full fruition in the early to With Aaron Copland, Roy Harris, George Antheil and Henry Cowell, Luening finally unshackled American music from European traditions. He was a prolific and versa-

tile composer in a wide range of styles but his experimental and electronic works attracted most attention and placed him firmly in the pioneering

Luening was born into a family of German musicians in Milwaukee and by the age of four was being taught piano by his father. Aged 12, he moved with his family to Germany, studying first in Munich and than at the Zurich Conservatory, specialising in flute, composition and conducting. He took private lessons from Ferrucio Busoni. On returning to the US in 1920, he played flute in a cinema orchestra in Chicago to support himself and soon began to make a name for himself as a composer with radical works, culminating in Symphonic Fantasia No 1 (1924), a concentrated, monothematic essay which provided instant evidence of Luening's craftsmanship, command of orchestration and gift for lyrical develop-

TTO LUENING, who ment. After three years as a has died aged 96, be-cach in the opera department longed to the general at the Eastman School of tion of American Music in New York, be started work on an opera of his own, based on the poem by Long-fellow, but it was not comtion in New York was not a total success, despite its strongly American folk ethos.) In the 1940s, Luening settled

in New York, becoming direct tor of the Opera Theatre at Columbia University. where he conducted a number of important American opera premières (including Virgil Thomson's The Mother of Us All). In the early 1950s, he began experimenting with musical possibilities of magnetic tape. In his piece Fan-tasy in Space, he played the flute with its accompaniment transmuted on to tape. It was conducted by Leopold Stokow ski in October 1952.

With Vladimir Ussachevsky, another Columbia composer, he embarked on a series of collaborative pieces featuring live performers combined with sounds on tape. The first of these, Rhapsodic Variations for Orchestra and Tape (1954). was commissioned by the Louisville Orchestra, which specialised in the performance and recording of works by American and other contemporary compos-ers. It was rapidly followed by (1954). Both pieces anticipated Varese's Déserts by a few

months. A further collabora tion, Concerted Piece for Tape premièred by the New York Philharmonic under Leonard Bernstein in 1960.

The success of these works directly led to the formation — with Luening as a founder member — of the Columbia-Princeton Electronic Music Centre, which became the eading workshop of its kind for young composers and stu-dents in the 1960s and 1970s. In more vernacular Ameri can style, Luening composed another Louisville commis sion, Kentucky Concerto (1951), Rondo, is like an 1890s ditty. His short Wisconsin Suite (1955) is based on nursery tunes and the Wisconsin Symphony (1975) is a more extended portrait of his home

Luening was a natural eclectic - assimilating, proselytising and expounding, as well as inventing. He was as "at home" in the world of old American hymnody and 18th century chaconnes as in the electronics laboratory. His music has been only sketchily represented on records, maybe because its huge range and diversity have obscured evidence of his growth and progression as a composer. Yet he was a true "all

Luening won many awards and honours, including three Guggenheim fellowships. He also gave practical help to other musicians: in 1955 he helped found a recording company (still active today) owned by and run for the recording of pieces by US composers. His autobiography. The Odyssey of an American Com, was published in 1980.

Brett Johnson

Otto Luening, composer, born June 15, 1900; died September 2, 1996

Dame Catherine Hall

Big sister to the nurses

HE LEADERSHIP of | study of North American adwho has died aged 73, was a dominant influence in nursing for nearly 30 the Royal College of Nursing 1967-82, and chairman of the United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Mid-wifery and Health Visiting, 1980-85, she shaped the nurses' foremost professional organisation and established a statutory body for nurses.

The daughter of Rotherham's chief constable. Catherine Mary Hall was educated at the Methodist boarding school Hunmanby Hall, and its ethos -- solid integrity and disciplined service - characterised her work. Possessed of outstanding intellectual abil-ity, she chose nursing rather than medicine and remained at heart a caring nurse as she At Leeds General Infirm-

ary, she became successively ward sister, night superinten-

Carol Barnes, newscaster, 52; Jacqueline Bissett, actress,

52; Lt-Gen Sir Derek Boor

man, former Chief of Defence

Intelligence, 66; Margaret

Chatterjee, philosopher and writer, 71; Anne Devlin, play-

wright, 45; Baroness Fisher

Birthdays

sistant matron at London's Middlesex Hospital. In 1957 she reluctantly left that distinguished hospital to become the RCN's general secretary. The RCN of 1957 had a high standing but restricted membership and genteel ways. Catherine Hall reorganised its structures, brought in lawvers accountants and financial advisers, and appointed some of the first graduate non-nurse administrative assistants. She went to the staff college at Henley - which she found exhilarating — while staff members were

ministration and teaching,

followed in 1953 by a year in

the RCN's nursing adminis-

tration programme, after

seconded to management courses and senior staff went through a group dynamics programme together. Male nurses were brought into the RCN in 1960, enrolled nurses following in 1970, and the dent and assistant matron. In membership structure was 1950 she made an extensive developed to include special-

medical director, UCL Hospi-

tals, 52; Prof Sir John Gunn,

natural philosopher, 80: Dake of Hamilton, premier peer of Scotland, 58; Goran Ivanise-

vic, tennis player, 26; Mau-

pond to any government doc-ument touching on the profession. She had a great December facility for synthesising and 26, 1996 of Rednal, former MEP, 77; Lord Flowers, physicist, chancellor, Manchester University, 72: Dr Anthony Goldstone, haematologist and

rice Jarre, composer, 72; Dr | Smith, cricketer, 33; George Gordon Johnson, president, Wolfson College, Cambridge, 53; Colin Moynihan, former Conservative minister, 41: the Most Rev George Noakes, former Archbishop of Wales 72; Tony Pickard, tennis coach, 62; Colin Pickthall, Labour MP, 52; Robert Shel-don, Labour MP, 73; Robin

cricketer, 27; Steve Watkin cricketer, 32; Lord Weiden feld, publisher, 77.

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Spell check

PLEASE use American spellings in your journal. This policy will be appreciated in Canada, America and other countries. British spellings look odd. How does one pronounce favour, foetus, real-ise, programme? — Joe Hurst, Toronto. A Canadian reader complains of the oddities of British lan-guage in the London Review of Books, and we are left won-

Reflected lives

FLAMINGOES are enjoying a baby boom - and it is

dering at the oddities of Cana-

maybe thanks to mirrors. The birds get frisky when in a crowd, so experts at the Wild-fowl and Wetlands Trust in Slimbridge installed mirrors to give the illusion of a larger flock. The Caribbean flamingoes have produced 13 chicks and the Andean ones are showing signs of romance. It would seem there is sex and safety in numbers, reported in Country Life.

Thin line

THERE are four different sized needles available, each colour-coded. The smallest is orange, about half an inch long and as thin as a sewing needle, used largely for injecting into the veins of the arm or finger. Then there are two blues, both thin, one about three-quarters of an inch long, the other roughly an inch. They can be used for njecting into the leg or heel. The nastiest looking is the green, nearly as thick as a tooth pick and over an inch long. It can be used to inject into the groin. Veins collapse from overuse, hence the selection of

needles. But there's also something self-destructive about an addict's continuing need to shoot up, no matter where. Any blood vessel, if it is accessible, can be used. It is not unknown for addicts to shoot into the veins under the tongue. Some use the capillaries behind the eyelids. It is said to give a particuarly closeness of the eyelid to the

GO on the reality of the needle away from the art form created in the film Trainspotting.

Child's play

IN MY experience, English parents do very little to disc pline their children. With West Indian parents, you have to be very careful what you say, because the first thing they will do is beat the child. This doesn't automati-cally solve the problem. We've had a few cases where parents have stormed out in he middle of a converstaion about their child's behaviour, only to go home and beat the child silly. The child the child silly. The child said anything he and his mates would beat her up. She

and when he does he continues in the same vein, just like before. The parents seem to have very little control. They don't want to seem to want the responsibility of having a difficult child, and the area certainly seems to breed diffi cult children.

In the playground, some of the boys will think nothing of holding up a girl and beating her, especially if she says something they don't like, or refuses to do what they say. You almost have to have eyes in the back of your head. It can happen in a split second, and the boy is straight in there, and then his friend is in there, and then another friend is in there. You have to look out for the girls more than anybody else.

There's a five-year-old American girl who has just joined the centre. One day she cut her leg playing and I sent her inside to lie down. One of the older boys came in and sexually assaulted her. The boy was 10. Another girl who saw the incident said that he told the girl that if she

was absolutely terrified. boy. He is 10 years old! When I came to treat the girl. she behaved normally and said nothing. It all occurred ing with another disturbus to find out what happened. When we questioned the girl, she admitted that he had put his hands between her legs. We had to ban him, but we had no proof. So, to save the girl any further stress, we made up an excuse to ban him. Later, he was seen out-

side the playcentre asking another girl, "Do you wanna sex me up?" He asked her back to his friend's house, who was standing next to him. The girl came charging back into the centre, scream ing and shouting. She was terrified. We had to escort her home. What we don't want is for the girl's parents to come in here angry that we've done nothing, and asking what we are going to do about it. Also. we can't go to the boy's father because he would go wild at any mention of that. He would tear the boy's head off. We're going to get a social worker in to deal with this

A children's playleader at a centre in West London, talks to Extract magazine about the jungle law that seems to prevail ongst the children

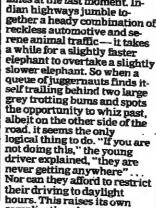
Dual drive

TO INDIAN drivers, a dual carriageway is just two roads side by side. This means you can drive down either side. Playfully. Indian drivers like



Extract . . . playing rough

call the wrong side. Some times their lane hopping is evidence of thoughtful longterm planning. They intend turning right in the future, maybe 15 or 20 miles down the road, and it is obviously sensible to be prepared. It would be ticklish to have to change

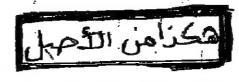


road, it seems the only logical thing to do. "If you are not doing this," the young driver explained, "they are never getting anywhere". Nor can they afford to restrict hours. This raises its own complications because many vehicles, both engine and

be forgiven — evolution having failed to develop camels and water buffalo with either main beams or built-in dynamos. But in the case of notor vehicles, driving in the dark is another example of thoughtful long-term planning. If the drivers switched on their lights, the bulbs would eventually wear out. Then they would have to drive without lights. By not switching them on, they en-sure the bulbs never wear out Keeping your lights off, how-ever, is no excuse for sticking to the right side of the road. To cope with these headaches our guide explained, many drivers prefer to drive drunk. Winston Fletcher writes a wobbly postcard from an Indian dual carriageway: Prospect. Jackdaw wants iewels, E-mai

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Banks 'planning new wave of job cuts'

Union says Lloyds-TSB branch closures are only the prelude

nancial services industry were warned to brace selves for another wave nounced the closure of 150

and finance union, predicted that up to a 1,000 branches would eventually close, with

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American theme parks,

English tradition has been spinning money for for-

elgners for many years. Formum & Mason, 2 bes

tion of the English estab-lishment, is taking full ad-

vantage by investing

£11.7 million in converting

the building next door to its premises in Piccadilly, Lon-

don, to cope with the

crowds who pile through the finely-crafted portals.

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six years, as a spate of merg-ers and the introduction of new technology have taken their toll. Further consolidation among building societies and insurers is expected.

"This is just the beginning," said John Townsend, assistant secretary of the

World's bankers guard their cash, page 12

123,000-member union. fear that more than 1,000 branches could close. This confirms our worst fears about the merger of Lloyds and TSB."

sion had been "based on giv-ing the shareholders more, at the expense of staff and cus-

He said: "It will mean that more communities will be losomies."
The closures at Lloyds-TSB

next year represent 5 per cent of the merged network of 3,000 branches. The union fears that closures will accelerate once a private bill, to permit banking operations of Lloyds and the TSB to combine, goes through Parliament

urged MPs and peers to insert guarantees against compul-sory redundancies in the bill.

the union and comm facing bank closures. Lloyds-TSB, which has al-

ready cut 600 positions after closing offices in Birmingham and clearing departments in London, said it could not comment on the claim that 10,000 jobs were at risk. "We have a said a spokeswom

The bank said that 150 branch closures were "about the numbers we are looking at" as part of a constant review of banking needs. Changes in the way that people did their banking, par-ticularly with the growth of

The introduction of new technology, particularly the spread of automatic teller maspread of automatic teller ma-chines, and changes in bank-ing habits have taken their toll on almost all the high-street banks. The big four banks — Barclays, Lloyds, Midland and NatWest — closed almost 2,000 branches

between 1989 and 1994. Branch closures have had a centralisation of administra-tion processes has led to mass redundancies among clerical staff. In June, Barclays announced plans to cut 1,000 clerical and managerial staff,

Last November, Midland revealed that 2,500 staff faced the chop as part of a strategic overhaul. Building societies have not been far behind, as similar pressures on costs have forced them into mere

insurers, too, have reduced staff numbers, as competition from foreign firms and tele-phone-based insurers like

merge.

Royal & Sun Alliance, formed from two big composite insurers in May, outlined 1,300 job cuts in a programme that will eventually see 5,000

Poll ploy leaves Tories boxed in



Alex Brummer

N MANY respects, the Tories have chosen sen-sibly in targeting interest rates for their next assault on Labour. Plainly, it is politically shrewd in that mortgage rates are, on most measures, at a 30-year low. It is also significant from a City perspec-

If the Government really believes that low interest rates offer the best route back to Downing Street, it becomes perfectly clear that, barring a catastrophe on the financial markets, the Conservatives doggedly will hold on to the present 5.25 per cent base rate until the election.

This means relying on the old faithful of ballooning credit exemplified by the 1970-73 Barber boom and the post-1987-crash Lawson expansion. Not a strategy which will be antirely welcome in Threadneedle Street

The Tories would need to demonstrate two propositions in the campaign. First, that people are substantially better off as a result of lower interest rates. Secondly, that a Labour government would inevitably mean a rise in base and mortgage rates.
It is fairly easy to show that

if one starts in 1990, when home loan rates were near their peak, the average household is now £270 a month better off. What is spurious about this is the starting date, in that the Conservatives were in power at the time. However, if Maurice Sast-

chi can do his stuff, then the quality groceries and litely, to name any of the | plans for an airport shop, | amount to fund the acquisi- | many years, and reflects case for emphasising mone-(although both can be done) is overwhelming. Cutting one penny off income tax would put back £1.6 billion into the ight rights issue. The cramped food hall Chairman Garry Weston will benefit most from the taxpayers' pockets this year. A full percentage point rise or extension, nearly doubling fall in interest rates would, by resents the most exciting in size, and non-food lines and significant development for the company in quarter. comparison, provide home-owners with a 24 billion bonus --- or penalty. So it is by no means a daft approach.

The uncomfortable aspect of all this from the City's point of view is that, even though headline inflation was at 2.1 per cent in August, the money supply is still bub-bling away, the housing mar-ket is frothy and oil prices could rise (as a result of Gulf conflagrations).

By default, politics will have deprived the authorities of their most potent anti-inflation tool — a rise in interest

Gas verdict

ally coy about its regu-lator yesterday. Instead of blasting Clare Spottis-woode over plans for tough price curbs on the TransCo transmission business, the company limited itself to a formulaic sideswipe at her boardroom.

proposals. All that chairman Richard Giordano would say is that the board would announce whether it would take its case to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission well be-fore the October 7 deadline.

British Gas's caution is understandable. With the brinkmanship now serious, it prefers to do its negotiating in

The company feels, with justification, that it needs time to assess the implications of Ms Spottiswoode's proposals, published only last month, to introduce competition in metering, storage and mains connection

Yet the prospect of an MMC inquiry must be appalling for British Gas. Its top management is already at work splitting the group into two, pre-paring for domestic competition, and renegotiating costly take-or-pay contracts. Never-theless, it may be right to opt for referral to the MMC.

The company can at least be sure that it will get a hearing. The commission has al-ready conducted one exhaus-tive inquiry into British Gas and it has the relevant expertise.

British Gas can take comfort that political opportun-ism will not, for once, inter-fere. Because an inquiry would arise from its refusal to accept Ofgas's proposals — and not from a government referral — the Trade and Industry Secretary has no man-date to overturn its decision.

By obtaining a clear verdict from the MMC on some key regulatory principles, British Gas may do itself and other utilities a favour.

Stevens trumped

T WAS always going to be simply a matter of time be-fore the United News boardroom became too small for both Lord Hollick and Lord Stevens. The overhaul of the combined United/MAI group shows one reason.

in charge of the national newspapers, which will be allowed to continue to reflect his Conservative persuasion. But Lord Hollick is looking at the bottom line, and that is clearly unimpressive - mar-gins at the national newspapers are about half those of the Mirror Group.

Lord Hollick attributes the decline of the once-proud Daily and Sunday Express to to provide sufficient financial backing. And who was in charge of the former regime?

Lord Stevens.

Lord Hollick may modestly confess to having "one or two flops" on his business track record. But it is he who is casting a critical eye over the merged United News group, and in so doing he is more likely to spot weaknesses in those businesses which arrived with Lord Stevens.

Insiders suggest that Lord Stevens — who sacrificed his colleague Andrew Cameron at the time of the merger on in the latest upheaval at the Express. But if he canno guarantee the odd job in a newsroom, it would suggest he also has lost his grip in the

clined to comment on the

level of compensation Mr Bry-

Top-level changes at BZW

had been predicted once Mr Harrison joined the firm, but

the speed with which the new chief executive has moved

surprised rivals at other in-

vestment banks. Mr Brydon's

position is said to have disap-

peared, with Mr Harrison simply deciding that he did

don was likely to receive.

British Gas to act after £7m loss

Chate Bassie Business Correspondent

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Depth Notes

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RITISH Gas pledged yesterday to restore its tarnished reputation by taking drastic action to improve standards of customer service by the end of the year, but the Gas Consumers Council immediately cast doubt on its ability to fulfil that pledge. Roy Gardner, the company's outgoing finance director, said the group would spend £70 million this year to sharpen its response to cus-

The pledge came as British Gas slumped to a secondquarter loss of £7 million, ers, the British Gas chair-

ORGAN Grenfell, the

investment bank at the centre of an inves-

tigation by City watchdog Imro, is set to lose up to

£2 billion of new pension business from institutional

investors this year in the

aftermath of the scandal at its unit trust division.

Pension advisers said yes-

terday that they could not

"credible" man-

Richard Miles

profit in 1995, on turnover of £1.89 billion. For the half year, profits were 7.7 per cent down to £926 million on

as Limoges china.

gian pale green and prisingly, the favoured deli adorned with gold trim- for the Queen and her

As the nearest grocer of any size to Buckingham Palace, the store is, unsur-

£5.1 billion turnover. With the company facing full competition in the domes-tic market from 1998, Mr Gardner said the group had no alternative but to improve customer service.

But the Gas Consumers Council warned there had been a 170 per cent increase pared with July 1995. The director, Ian Powe, said he was "not betting" on BG being successful so quickly.

In a warning to sharehold-

known of Imro's inquiry into a secret web of holding com-

panies run by fund manager

Peter Young. The debacle at Morgan

Grenfell could not have come

at a worse time for the invest-

ment bank's pensions busi-ness, which has doubled to al-

most £30 billion over the past

Pensions legislation which

comes into force next April

Pension trustees shun Morgan

whether it would appeal to the Monopolies & Mergers Commission over Ms Spottiswoode's proposals, but indicated that meetings were being held with Ofgas in an attempt to win agreement. It said her proposals "do not equate to a fair balance between shareholders and cus-tomers". Agreement with Ms

ager until the outcome was put pressure on trustees to its institutional pension cli-known of Imro's inquiry into play safe with their members' ents had been affected by ir-

investments. They must now

draw up a "statement of prin-

ciple" explaining why they

have entrusted money to in-

Chris Hitchen, a senior

partner with consulting actu-

ary Alexander Clay, said many trustees would be un-

willing to propose Morgan Grenfell to their members

while there were question marks over its credibility.

has opened up the market as marks over its credibility.

Marks over its credibility.

A spokesman for Morgan because they wanted to be in-house schemes. It has also Grenfell stressed that none of lieve he had the golden touch.

vestment banks

compared to a 249 million man, Richard Giordano, said Spottiswoode over price con-profit in 1995, on turnover of dividends would be affected trols on the supply business were more likely.
Yesterday's results were de

visitors one last chance to site.

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In spite of reporting

annual pre-tax profits of 23.2 million yesterday,

Entering the space age . . . expansion will not alter other-worldly air of Fortnum & Mason ladieswear department

when they are in London.

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"There are no plans," she

by the outcome of the compa

regulator, Clare Spottis-woode, over controls planned

for the TransCo gas trans-mission business. The half-year pay-out was frozen at

British Gas declined to say

and denied that the exten-sion was solely to cope with

trade.

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pressed by £50 million needed to set up systems designed to run the gas system with the advent of competition in the domestic market, particularly the Network Code. Losses in the industrial and

creased by £130 million, leaving the group on course to register a £400 million loss this year. Brushing aside a recent

rise in spot prices, Mr Gior-dano said negotiations with gas producers over its costly

regularities detected in the

Mr Young, speaking for the

first time since his suspen

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by Morgan Grenfell and

feared he would lose every-thing including his £450,000 house in the Buckingham-

He said the bank's directors

three European funds.

Gillette takes over Duracell in \$7bn deal

It plans to raise about as we approach our fourth

25.1 million, net of ex- century of trading on this

es, through a one-for-

said: "This acquisition rep-

eight rights issue.

Mark Tran in New York

one of the world's top brands yesterday when it bought Duracell.
With the \$7 billion (£4.5 billion) deal, the con-

sumer goods giant will give the world's biggest alkaline battery-maker access to the capital and marketing muscle products around the elobe The deal will bring a wind-

fall for Kohlberg Kravis Roberts, the leveraged buy-out specialist which owns a third of Duracell. KKR led the purchase of the battery company in 1988 from Kraft for \$1.8 billion, and a KKR spokeswoman said it had made about \$3 billion on its original \$350 million

Gillette makes most of its money from razor blades and razors but the chief executive, branching out into other household products.

With 1995 sales of \$6.8 billion — mostly overseas — and a market value of nearly \$30 billion, Gillette is one of America's leading household products compa nies. Its brands include Sensor razors, Parker Pens, Oral-

"The opportunity to merge powerhouse global brands such as those of Gillette and Duracell comes very rarely,'
mid Mr Zelen. Duracell, with half the US

market, has annual revenues of \$2.3 billion, but its share price, which at lunchtime in New York yesterday was up 87% at \$56%, has lagged behind the market in the past two years in the wake of slack sales in Europe and the growth of private-label



develop Fortnum & Mason

Duracell has introduced nev products and is making a big

oush overseas. Mr Zeien, who took over Gillette in 1991, has made sev eral acquisitions in recent years, but despite his desire to decrease Gillette's reliance on shaving products, these account for the lion's share.

Last year, blade and razor sales made up 39 per cent of Gillette's \$6.8 billion in revenue, up from 33 per cent in 1985. The acquisition of Duracell fits into Mr Zeten's strategy of buying companies dom-inant in their field.

Wall Street's great success stories. Its shares are up 26 per cent this year and 88 per cent in the past two years. KKR was involved in another deal yesterday, but this was a bid that collapsed, KKR and Xerox called off the planned \$2.3 billion sale of Kerox's Talegen insurance unit to KKR. Both sides said that they were unable to resolve unspecified issues.

• The Federal Trade Commission yesterday formally approved Time Warner's \$6.5 billion acquisition of Turner Broadcasting System, brands in the US. In a bid to creating the world's largest

Acting BZW chief leaves in management shake-out

lg Paul Murphy

SHAKE-OUT at the top don was likely to receive.

Mr Harrison — who has been on "gardening leave" since his appointment was announced — has a reputation as a stocky, straight-talking deal-maker who grew up the Midlands — "not at all your archetypal Eaton-educated senior City banker", one former colleague said.

Top-level changes at BZW Acf BZW was confirmed yesterday with the announce ment that Donald Brydon one of the best-known figures in the world of investement management and acting chief executive of the premier investment bank since the spring — is leaving the firm.
His sudden departure follows the arrival on Tue this week of Bill Harrison, the former Robert Fleming corporate financier who was named three months ago as the full replacement for David Band, BZW's former chief who died of a heart attack while skiing in March. Mr Brydon, a Scot, joined the investment bank's parent,

Barclays, in 1977 - working first on its pensions business before moving over to BZW when the firm was created 10

not want to have a deputy. Other major changes at BZW include the departure of

the firm's head of equities, Jonathan Davie.

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London investors seek independent assessment of Olivetti Italian authorities to estab-

and John Glover in Milan

ARGE London-based indemand independent confirmation of the troubled Italian computer group's recent halfyear results when they meet its chief executive next week. The group yesterday sought financial position by an-nouncing that it was seeking they had lost confidence in others are relying upon the facturing operation."

personal computer business.
Chief executive Francesco Caio told the Italian Senate industry committee that the PC business was no longer a strategic sector for the firm, whose future lay in the closer integration of its computer systems and services business with its telecommunica-

tion operations. Institutional shareholders that they would ask him to

a partner for its loss-making | Olivetti's recent results which showed a half-year loss of 440 billion lire (£197 mil-Olivetti's recently ap-

pointed financial director quit last week claiming the loss was understated. Mr Caio is due to see stockbrokers and large sharehold-

ers in London on Tuesday. Some fund managers said

"We need to know how the figures were reached," said We need details of the inventory and contracts with suppliers, factoring arrangements, future borrowing needs and so on. We want more discussion about the company's industrial strategy, particularly the future of the personal computer manu-

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Double jeopardy: Cash dries up for poverty-stricken nations as government support becomes 'unfashionable'

'Public does not believe money is really helping the poorest people'

Justin Forsyth of Oxfam



Abandoned . . . Aid agencies say Mozambique would be in dire straits if thrown on the mercies of private investors

World Bank admits defeat on state aid

Private investment is declared only viable alternative as West reneges on Third World funding

Sarah Ryle

HE World Bank has admitted that it is battle with western governments over aid to the is secretly looking for ways to use private capital to replace the lost funds.

A top-level ad hoc panel set up earlier this year by James Wolfensohn, the Bank's president, to discuss how to offset the anticipated decline in government aid has suggested private-sector investment is the only viable alternative

The panel believes that government aid has gone out of fashion and will never reach traditional levels a senior source said.

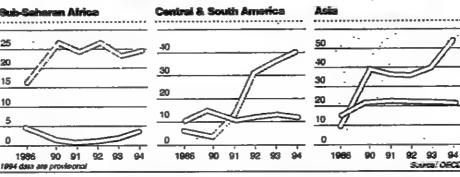
ternative is investment from the markets. That would mean forming new guidelines to make sure that investment was properly used by the governments who received it.
"The World Bank could not

be a police force, but it could influence the way money is lent or invested." There are long-standing fears that aid is misused, particularly for mil itary purposes, by Third World dictatorships. The admission of defeat

alarmed some leading charities, Justin Forsyth, Oxfam International's chief officer in Washington, said any further decline in official aid would leave many of the world's poorest nations in desperate straits.

"Some countries, like Mozambique, do not have a "So far, the only concrete al- choice. They will not attract

Changing finances of developing counties



private investment because of I their internal troubles. If official aid declines, they will have no way of funding basic needs like education and Andrew Simms. Christian

Aid spokesman in London. said: This is what we have Official development fi-

nance has fallen in recent | countries to maintain contriyears from \$70 billion (£46 billion) to \$65 billion, while private capital flows have risen rapidly, to more than \$105 billion between 1991 and 1994, according to the latest

OECD figures. Mr Forsyth called on the World Bank not to give up the fight to persuade industrial surprising that the World Bank was concerned about

He said: "The World Bank has lost credibility with gov-ernments because the public does not believe the money is really helping the poorest people. The NGOs [non-governmental organisations] think that the World Bank is more concerned with lending large amounts of money than with it reaching the people it sector is not convinced that there even needs to be a World Bank. They think there should be more guarantees more World Bank funding."

Mr Simms said further reli ance on the markets would be sub-Saharan Africa. "They ern countries have realigned funding since the cold war ended. More money is being channelled into eastern and central Europe. If the decline in aid were being matched by productive private capital inflows we wouldn't be so worried, but it isn't."

The ideological shift to the right, initiated by Margaret Thatcher and Ronald Reagan, has put more emphasis on leaving development in the Third World to the free

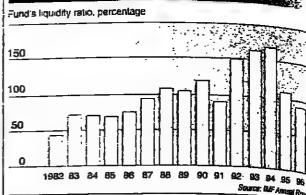
The World Bank's fears for official international aid have been fuelled by resistance among key donor nations to recent funding programmes.
While the Republican-domi-

nated US Congress has thrown the aid programme into chaos by holding back on hundreds of millions of dollars which it had pledged in previous years, the Garmans have put the brakes on a British-driven plan to sell Inter-national Monetary Fund gold reserves to increase debt

In each case, politicians are acutely aware of the public response to approving bigger donations. Germany has is supposed to. The private refused to sell its gold doubling of resources during reserves to fund programmes in eastern Germany, and politicians are understood to be reluctant to approve an international sale in case they are forced to do the same at home.

British official aid to the de-veloping world is set to decline by 16 per cent by 1999. according to Christian Aid.

IMF's liquidity



IMF seeks to double capital after rise in crisis lending

Main industrial countries likely to resist large quota increase

Alex Brummer Financial Editor

HE International Mone-tary Fund is to ask shareholders for a large increase in its capital base after a sharp deterioration in the Fund's cash position. Michel Camdessus, the

managing director, has indi-cated that he would like to see the Fund's quotas — the equivalent of its capital base doubled from the current \$210 billion (£135 billion).

The IMF's annual report, released last night, shows that the Fund's liquidity has tumbled to the lowest levels since 1987 because of the pressure put on its resources by the 1995 Mexican crisis and lending to support the Yeltsin administration in Russia. Moscow was the biggest bor-rower from the Fund in the last financial year, using up \$5.5 billion of Fund quotes or

Russia is currently drawing lown the biggest credit (\$10.8 billion) ever advanced by the Fund.

The report also shows that Mexico continues to draw heavily on resources along with Argentina and Zambia. Much of the IMF's usable resources are being eaten up in lending programmes to the countries of the former Soviet bloc. with Ukraine among those which are prospective big borrowers.

Senior Fund officials conceded that achieving a what is known as the 11th Quota Review will almost certainly be politically impossi-ble, given the difficulty in getting the US Congress to agree any funding for international organisations.

The World Bank is already being forced to redraw plans for the International Develop-

ment Association, which makes loans to the poorest countries, because appropria-tions are still trapped in congressional committees.
Officials believe that a

though the need for greater resources can be shown given the sharp rise in IMP members since the last quota increase, a doubling of resources is unlikely to win support of the richest industrial countries. IMF officials are still hoping for an in crease of between 50 per cent and 75 per cent, although a formal request is unlikely to be made until the US elections are out of the way in

The annual report shows that the Fund's cash declined last year and will continue to fall in the current year, given the demand on its resources and the commitments already

It is particularly concurred however, that the capital in-crease should cope with the needs of more than three dozen new members - many of them ex-communist countries - which have joined up since the last quois

The quota increase will also provide the opportunity for the IMF to adjust national holdings of quotas to take so count of shifts in global eco nomic power. Several large countries.

most notably China, Russia and India, have joined the upper ranks as their national output has grown — as have some of the East Asian tigers. As part of the quota increase they are expected to strengthen their sharebold ings, but not enough to dis-lodge the big five at the IMF: the U.S. Japan, Germany, Brit-

ain and France.. A similar broadening in the power base of the world conomy is expected to be an proved at the annual m ngs of the IMF/World Bank later this month when the General Arrangements to Borrow, a credit facility for use by the IMF in emergencies, is expanded to \$50 billion, bringing in a



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Uganda stands to be first to gain from debt largesse

UGANDA is expected to be the first country to benefit from the World Bank/IMF debt reduction scheme if it is approved by finance ministers, writes Alex Brumme There is still some uncer-

tainty, because of the opposition of countries includ-ing Germany. Italy and the Nordic states to gold sales designed to help finance the IMF contribution to the plan. IMF officials have raised the possibility pri-vately that some of the organisation's reserves might be used to close the

funding gap.
With the scheme in place,
Uganda, which has been ander IMF tutelage for three years, could start to benefit from the new debt reduction plan as soon as next year and could be free of its debt obligations by the end of the century.

Discussions on the Uganda debt scheme would egin this autumn, to be followed next year by a de-cision by the Paris Club of bilateral and commercial debtors to extend their debt reduction from the current 67 per cent to the 90 per cent level endorsed by the Lyon summit in July. Next spring, the IMF. World Bank and other insi-

tutions would begin an as essment of how much debt reduction Uganda would

qualify for. Under current figures the IMF would cut its claims on Uganda by \$75 million (£50 million) by the end of 1999: the World Bank would have to provide a further \$155 million of debi forgiveness, and other lend-ers, including the European Investment Bank, would come in with \$18 million worth of reductions

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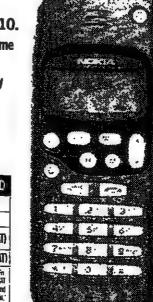
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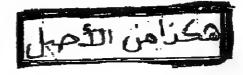
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Trigger returns in record style

Plastic-patched Cup hero at last gets his due credit. Chris Hawkins reports

came into the win-ner's enclosure on Double Trigger after yesterday's East Coast Doncaster Cup he raised his hand and pointed repeatedly at his

mount.

Not that an adoring crowd needed telling. They knew who should get the credit, being fully aware that Double Trigger is an outstanding stayer with a heart to match

To come back in such style, beating the track record by two seconds and Celeric by two lengths, after three months on the sidelines was a wonderful performance, par-ticularly as the horse still has only half a hoof on his off-

fore.

When he ripped off a shoe in the Ascot Gold Cup most of the horn went with it and Mark Johnston, his trainer, has had to wait for it to grow

"It's still more plastic than hoof and my blacksmith, John McCormick, has done a great job," said Johnston. "We've been under a lot of pressure, but only a win was

good enough "Now he's proved himself and it's about time he got the credit he deserves. He's rated the worst Ascot Gold Cup winner (he won it in 1995) in the last 10 years, but everyone except the handicapper

S Frankle Dettori | ure of at least 125 would be nearer the mark.

There will be no Melbourne Cup challenge this year, however, for Double Trigger following his abortive and expensive trip last year unless a sponsor materialises. suddenly

The French Gold Cup, the Prix du Cadran, is his sole remaining target this season, but the good news is that he should be around to do battle again next year. Celeric found himself

stretched to the limit as Double Trigger quickened all came apparent when Reams the way up the Doncaster straight, but ran creditably to take second and his trainer. David Morley, has not ruled out the Melbourne Cup.

With 8st 9lb Celeric is con-sidered reasonably treated, but Morley will not make up his mind for a fornight, saybest for the horse.

best for the horse.

Much will depend on whether it is decided to keep him in training next season. If he is going to be retired then Melbourne will be his final fling.

With firm ground and a strong following wind force.

strong following wind, fast times were the order of the day and Al Azhar broke the juvenile mile record when winning the Ralph Raper Nursery.

except the handicapper wouldn't have come off the bit shyantor was emphasised and knows he's the best for 30."

Double Trigger is rated 119 easier." commented Ian Baldand Johnston believes a fig. ing, who trains this fine phys-

ical specimen and may aim him for the Racing Post

Trophy. Barry Hills was a little disappointed with The Fly, who finished fourth here, but had glow a of contentment about him reflecting the size of his wallet after My Branch had won the Kyoto Sceptre Stakes later in the afternoon.

Hills had invested £2,000 on My Branch at 6-1 so convinced was he that the filly had come right back to her best after failing in four attentity this second tempts this season.

Henry Cecil flew in from the United States at 11.30, "had a bath" and jumped in the car for Doncaster.

The reason for his haste be-came apparent when Reams years with an authoritative two lengths victory over Dame Laura.

From a long way out it was clear that the Cecil filly was pulling over her field and she his mind for a fortnight, say-ing that he will do what is cut from 25-1 to 16-1 with Hill's for the 1,000 Guineas. "She'll have either one more run in the Ascot Fillies

Mile or be put away for the winter," said Cecil, top of the table and clearly on excellent terms with himself. He bought three at the Keeneland Sales, but went principally to look over Khaled Abdulla's yearlings and pick out those he will

training next season. Once again the well-being "Pat (Eddery) said he of the St Leger favourite Dushyantor was emphasised and



Up for the cup . . . Double Trigger comes home in style ahead of Celeric

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LOWELY LEADER Although prominent, ridden over 21 out, one page, 4th of 6, 49 behind Wizard King (Salubury 7) sho of 1.

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Bank on **Bahhare** for the bubbly

BAHHARE, already as a short as 8-1 for next year's 2,000 Guineas, faces his sternest test so far in today's Laurent-Perrier Champagne Stakes at Don-caster, writes Chris Hawkins. This half-brother to last

season's high class miler Bahri has created a big impression in two cantering pression in two cantering successes at Newmarket, breaking the juvenile seven furlongs record last time having previously defeated the subsequent group three winner Equal Rights over three lengths on his debut.

Bahhare is a big, hand-

some colt and certainly looks the part, but the same can be said of Revoque, who beat In Command com-fortably in the Acomb Stakes at York.

Reliquary, trained by David Loder, comes from a stable chock-full of two-year-old talent and must be respected, although his maiden win at Haydock tells us little.

Bahhare (3.35) is the selection and if he wins in style must be considered

genuine Classic material. There was plenty to like about the way Daunt (2.00) ran at York last time. In a very competitive handicap he finished fifth to Celestial Choir and is worth another chance on that run.

At Goodwood, Russian Music (3.40) should finally get his head in front in the BMW Conditions Stakes. He has run a succession of good races in defeat and has twice run up against the very smart Wizard King in his two latest attempts.

Doncaster runners and riders with form guide

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204		JACKLLON (20) (D) W Mult 5-9-2 J Raid 9	, –		
205		SPILLO (22) L Comuni 3-6-11			
206	813120	CANTON VENTURE (6) (D) S Woods 4-8-8	2		
207		THORRES HALLS (22) (C) B Hills 3-0-8			
208		PIKE CREEK (22) (D) I Balding 3-8-8			
200	13-455	WIGHT (20) R Hanson 3-8-6	3		
210		ASKERN (22) D Haydin Jones 5-8-7			
211		EREDOWNEENT (228) Mrs M Revoluy 4-8-6			
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108	520-000 TARTE AUX PORMES (50) C British 4-8-17
108	1- PORRET BUCK (338) H Coch 3-8-9

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405	221-322	MINDS MUSIC (28) (2) (EF) H Cool 4-6-1
404		RUSY PLICHT (18) (D) B Hills 3-8-6
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Channel 4

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Pricket lame

SIMON CRISFORD, Godol-phin's racing manager. has confirmed that Pricket misses tomorrow's Pertemps St Leger at Doncaster after go-ing slightly lame at work on Wednesday. PORMI (SUBSET: MANDRAMAN POINT, WARM MY AND A STATE OF THE STATE OF TH

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 Blinkered today for the first time: DONCASTER 2.00 Royal Action, Three Hills. GOODWOOD 2.10 Petrel; 3.10 Ron's Secret; 3.40 Civil Liberty, Dovebrace; 4.15 Prince Zizim. WORCESTER 4.30 Last Laugh.

Goodwood with TV form

2.10 TYDOW HALL FARM MACHILLAN MERSES MURRERY HAMDICAP BYO 77 CARRA 251551 BURELINGTON HOUSE (10) (716 mg) P Cole 9-8 0616 DICKEE BIRD (2-6) (CS) R Harmon 9-7 014 REGET TURKE (8-1) (D) (MF) B Harmon 9-6 0331 SALTY JACK (29) S Dow 9-8 310 CASIFIAN MORN (277 A January Pr. 3.5 Bander 3.1 Table 9.1 January 3.1 Ja

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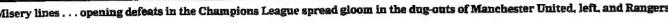
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United's broken English

David Lacey on how Alex Ferguson's callow side lost their way against Juve

O FAR, so ordinary, For Manchester United, in the Champions League, little has changed. Alex Ferguson's team are still chasing a game they barely recognise.

In pursuing a European Cup last seen at Old Trafford 28 years ago, United's ingenuity remains confined to discovering obscure airlines that can fly the team to foreign parts at reasonable prices.

When the quest was resumed three years ago Manchester United showed a pioneering spirit worthy of Amy Johnson by flying Manx Airways to Budapest. This week they were taken to Turin by a ter company, proud possess-ors of three second-hand

The cabin announcements were a mixture of Gatling-gun French and English so broken it was hard to find a piece that fitted. On the return journey a stewardess insisted on referring to her distinguished clients as "United Manchester". In view of what had happened in the Stadio Delle Alpi an hour or two earlier the slip

to Juventus by the flattering margin of 1-0 United at times had not known whether they

were coming or going.
Such a judgment may seem hard after one game but that is not the point. Juventus, bedding down a new team with the Italian league season less than a week old, per-formed in fits and starts but still revealed shortcomings in United's make-up which had been ruthlessly exposed in Barcelona and Gothenburg two seasons earlier.

The statistics show that the teams were separated by the goal Alen Boksic scored in the 34th minute. The reality is that, having set out to contain the European Cup holders by squeezing the play into a crowded middle corridor, Ferguson's players were outman-oeuvred and out-thought by opponents who knew too much for them.

There was nothing wrong with the theory of Ferguson's approach. Two years ago, under George Graham, Arsenal won the Cup Winners' Cup with similar tac-tics, beating another tasty

Italian side. Parma, in the ter United having won their final. It was not pretty to first corner, stayed upfield for watch, as Graham was the first to admit, but no one Neville which immediately could doubt its effectiveness. Alan Smith held the ball up front while those behind him

closed down space when possession was lost. The plan was simple and Graham's players were comfortable with it. But no scheme will work without individual inspiration and in that tournanent David Seaman and Tony Adams were inspired.

On Wednesday, apart from a couple of sharp saves by Peter Schmeichel, Manchester United were, to a man, uninspired. True, they improved in the second half when Cantona had more support but all things are relative. Ferguson may be in the market for a top-class central defender but he is in equal need of a goals-corer. Playing Cantona at centre-forward is plainly not the Last season Blackburn

Rovers were derided for the naivety of their approach to the Champions League. The goal conceded by Manchester United in Turin bore comparison to Spartak Moscow's winner at Ewood Park a year ago. The Russians scored straight from a Blackburn cor-ner. On Wednesday Manches

followed it, and were hit on the break after Giggs had missed an interception.

Zidane's through-pass found Boksic, who swept Butt aside to chip the ball past the advancing Schmeichel. Keane's pace and tackling strength, which might have denied the Croatian his scor ing chance, were badly missed at that moment.

Of course one defeat has not ruined Manchester United's hopes of reaching the knockout stage. They have three home games still to come and the 1-1 draw between Rapid Vienna and Fenerbahce was a good result for them. But unless Ferguson's team

tighten up their act Rapid and Fenerbahce, not to mention Juve, could take points from Old Trafford which would leave United struggling to make the top two. That 40-year-old unbeaten

European home record will ring hollow if they are held by Rapid Vienna in a fortnight's time. Ferguson needs a mini mum of four points from this match and next month's game with Fenerbahce in Istanbul to stay on course for the quarter-finals.

Rangers pale in tale of the unexpected

Patrick Glenn sees Walter Smith's team caught on the hop of excessive adventure

Zurich yesterday Rangers fans could ing families and friends tales scary enough to cause the elders to shoo the children to

Except for some typically heroic goalkeeping from Andy Goram, they could well have been saying, Grass-hopper's 3-0 victory margin the Ibrox Park side would have doubled.

Rangers' mauling by the Swiss champions was all the harder to take for its unex-pectedness. The 20,000 crowd at the Hardturm Stadium saw Walter Smith's expensively assembled team so unnerved by the onslaught of the opening five minutes that they were rendered virtually as be-

mused novices. Having spent almost £7 million on two players Jorg Al-bertz and Joachim Bjorklund in an attempt to bring more substance to his side, Smith was entitled to think he had succeeded in the light of the 10-3 aggregate thrashing of Alania Vladikavkaz in the qualifying round

The illusion disappeared within minutes as the Grasshopper strikers Kubilay Turkyilmaz and Viorel Moldovan terrorised the defence before the match had warmed up.

There is little doubt that Rangers fancied themselves to take the points from the visit, figuring that Ajax would be the major threat to their winning Group A and reaching the last eight.

Smith was more upbeat than normal the day before the game, declaring that he would play three forwards and that he expected his players to be more positive than they had been in the first match of last season's campaign, when they lost 1-0 to Steaua in Bucharest.

There are five games to go but, if the Scottish champions were unable to recover from a less disturbing defeat in Bu-charest — they did not win a they may be expected to face similar difficulties now. Claims by the Grasshopper coach Christian Gross that

Rangers were shamefully complacent were an exaggera tion. They were certainly confident but Smith insisted he had been at pains to point out to his team the threat the Swiss would carry.

"I don't know what it is about a lot of continental coaches," said Smith, "but they seem to react one of two ways when they face British clubs. If we beat them, they slink off without saying a word. If they win, they turn into tactical geniuses and tell us how easy it was.

"I would have thought Gross should be content to have won as well as he did and enjoy a deserved victory without making comments about his opponents. But many of the Europeans seem to act as though there is an extra edge to beating British

With the French champions Auxerre due at Ibrox Park on Wednesday week, Smith and his players face some reme**Rugby Union**

England double players' money

Robert Armstro

NGLAND have offered international squad players contracts worth up to £70,000 a season and given them a breathing space to consider the offer by call. ing off next Wednesday's scheduled training session at Bisham Abbey.

Players who agree to take part in promotional activities on behalf of the Rugby Foot on behalf of the Rugby Foot-ball Union could earn close to £90,000 provided they also play in all the internationals this season.

Lawrence Dallaglio, the Lawrence Danagno, the Wasps flanker, tipped to succeed Will Carling as England captain, welcomed the offer, which would double the earnings of the majority of last ings of the majority of last season's England squad. "We did not know what to expect just that we wanted more than last year," he said. "But people will play for England anyway, regardless of what they are paid."

Nevertheless the English Professional Rugby Union Clubs (Epruc) last night poured cold water on the RFU offer. "The initial reaction among the squad will be one

among the squad will be one of disappointment," forecast Donald Kerr, the Epruc chair. man. "They believed they would receive £60,000 plus £3,000 a match — a total of

£84,000. One unforeseen effect of the lispute and the subsequer training postponement is the additional time it gives Car-ling, Jeremy Guscott and Rory Underwood to force their way back into the squad. The much capped trie of three-quarters now have the high-profile platform of League One matches from which to catch the eye of the selectors following their omission from two squade named this summer.

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Today all the elits squad players will have a sche meeting with their own clubs when searching questions will be put to club chairmen about their reasons for asking the players not to go ahead and sign RFU contracts. The contracts include substantial graded payments for England A internationals and, for the first time, win bonuses for players chosen for senior games against Italy, New Zes-land Barbarians, Argentina, France, Scotland, Wales, Ireland and perhaps Australia.

Waddle in Falkirk move McGrath set

Patrick Glenn

HE last time Falkirk was in such a stew Bon-nie Prince Charlie had his rebel army on the edge of town defeating government forces on the Jacobite march to the south.

kind — to the local populace. eighth place in the 10-team

Waddle, allowed to leave Sheffield Wednesday if he can find another club, travelled to the Stirlingshire town last night and is expected to sign, initially for a month, this afternoon.

stadium has been condemned hy the club's chairman

year.
"We simply can't go on

thanks to municipal red tape. Falkirk's last home crowd was 3,489 for the match against Partick Thistle. That would be bigger than their ex-

Hopelessly run down, the old George Fulston for over a

the south. here; we must get a new sta-Now. 250 years on, an dium built," said Fulston on English invader is likely once again to bring disruption — but of a more pleasurable on a match and fans had to be refunded their admission Chris Waddle, 35 years old money. The reimbursement exercise was so haphazardly startling decision to rekindle his career at a club occupying ers, having received their cash, simply walked back into Scottish First Division, with the ground, rejoined the one win from four matches. Queue and doubled up on the

They are still at Brockville There seems little doubt pected average this season, as

was interest in their first collision in the lower division. Waddle is likely to increase the attendance considerably if he makes his debut at home to Clydebank tomorrow. "I really don't want to say

much at the moment but, if he signs. I'll sing like a canary,' said Eamonn Bannon, the former Scotland midfielder who took over the management of Falkirk during the summer. Bannon revealed that the

friends and contacts. Tony Fitzpatrick yesterday became St Mirren's manager.

move is being financed by Neil Binnie, a Falkirk director who is in the steel business and spends a lot of time in Sheffield, where he num-bers Waddle among his

The caretaker manager at the Scottish First Division club, takes over from Jimmy Bone who resigned last month.

that Waddle's first sensation on encountering Brockville Park will be culture shock. Hopelessly run down, the old

Peter White

PAUL McGRATH, the veteran Republic of Ireland international defender, has been told he can leave Aston Villa. Coventry City's manager Ron Atkinson, who is looking for an experienced defender to halt the alarming number of goals his side have conceded, is expected to bid around £200,000.

McGrath will be 37 this year but believes he is capable of playing this sea-son and next. "At my age it's no good being out of the action," he said. "I played one reserve game at the start of the season and I haven't kicked a ball in anger since." Dalian Atkinson has

his dispute with Fenerbahce. The former Villa striker has refused to return to Istanbul for the new season, claiming he is owed around £100,000.

Queens Park Rangers will not be naming their new manager until next week but Alan Curbishley is top of their wanted list. The Charlton manager has almost three years left on his contract, so compensation would be high. The other name being touted is the Arsenal caretaker man-ager Stewart Houston.

Either one would be at least third choice. The QPR chairman Chris Wright admitted yesterday that the club had already approached George Graham and Terry Venables.

Sports Politics

CCPR to sue Lawson

John Duncan on the latest twist in the sports body's tale of financial woe

ETER LAWSON, until last year over alleged finan-his sacking last Novem-ber one of the most pow-they were implicated. Peter erful men in British sport, is being sued for alleged embezzlement of a "six-figure sum" by his former employers, the Central Council of Physical

"It is correct that High Court proceedings have been commenced by the CCPR and the British Sports Trust against Peter Lawson and others," said Robert Petti-grew, the chairman of the CCPR, one of the key umbrella

Lawson and his son Christopher were summarily dis-missed because of it." The pair will face a 54-page writ in the High Court that will be issued in the next few days.

The Lawsons were sacked for "gross misconduct" after a three-month inquiry into alleged financial irregularities.
The suggestion at the time was that Lawson and his son diverted CCPR funds to a com-

"We have now decided that it is right and proper," said Pettigrew, "and in the interests of those organisations who deal with us that we seek to recover the monies. As you may know, the police are also considering criminal proceedings."

The whole affair is a huge embarrassment to the CGPR — whose president the Duke of Edinburgh had close links with Peter Lawson — and its role as a campaigner on be half of British sport has been

severely hampered. The CCPR will not comment further until the writ is issued. "Since legal proceedings have now been started."
said Pettigrew, "we think that it is inappropriate to go into cCPR, one of the key umbrella pany they ran while holding senior positions at the CCPR of the Sports Council "These are connected with the investigation which took place" investigation which took place to the correction of the c

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Rugby League NATIONAL CONFERENCE LEAGUE: Premier Divisions Leigh Miners Well v Wigan St Patricko. Rugby League Larder calls

up Powell

DARYL POWELL, the Keighley Cougars stand-off, will replace St Helens' injured centre Paul Newlove on the tour of Papua New Guinea, Fiji and New Zealand, writes Poul Fitzpatrick.
The 31-year-old former Sheffield Eagles player toured buth Great Britain in 1990 and 1992 and have played in 28 and 1992 and has played in 28 Test matches. Newlove, the fifth player Phil Larder has lost from his original squad, was forced to withdraw after

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Danny Ellison, the 23-yearold Wigan winger who scored

the clay-court season. Then,
unable to attract the top players, it died on its shale-covered feet in 1983. Bourne-

a hat-trick on Sunday, is set to sign a new two-year deal. He had considered a move to
Australia but, after scoring 10 perhaps. But it was jolly good tries in 11 games as Martin Offiah's replacement, now

wants to stay. Clive Griffiths says the decision to deny South Wales a place in Super League next season has thrown the club's ment at this time of the year future into doubt. "Our financial backers may not be quite as keen now we are in the First Division," said the South Wales coach.

Seaside fun for British pair

Stephen Bierley at Bournemouth

T WAS enough to make the Bournemouth Open yesterwas forced to withdraw after Bournemouth used to her-suffering a torn hamstring in ald the official beginning of

> mouth, Monte Carlo, Rome — and the best of all was ... spring fun by the seaside. Less so in the autumn. This

then David Lloyd, the team captain, will need Rusedski to be in form and confident.

The initial signs yesterday were not good. Argentina's Daniel Orsanic, a lowly ranked left-hander, took the first three games with an ease which left Rusedski's coach Brian Teacher staring at his Brian Teacher staring at his feet and shaking his head. The British No. 2 hired Teacher earlier this year to help "play the big points". The problem since has been that Rusedski has had all too

few big points to play.

"We've been working on my top-spin backhand and more aggression," Rusedski said after eventually beating Orsanic 6-4, 6-4. There was no avidence of this particular Less so in the autumn. This is the month for endings: the last night of the Proms; the Brain of Britain final.

To reinstate the tournament at this time of the year seems somehow perverse, but better in September than not at at all.

The injury to Tim Henman was an obvious disappoint
Torsenic 6-4, 6-4. There was no evidence of this particular shot yesterday, although after a feeble start Rusedski did generate too much aggression for the Argentinian — inevitably courtesy of his serve.

Rusedski, who today plays a beaten semi-finalist at Wimbledon this year, was expected group next year.

ment. He hopes to be fit for next week's Davis Cup match against Egypt but, if the groin problem should rule him out, then David Vierd then Da a rickety back which clearly inhibited both his movement

inhibited both his movement and strokeplay.

Viloca, aged 23, is ranked in the top 100 and was seeded seventh here; occasionally he unleashed shots of obvious pedigree but Sapsford kepthim on the move, played to his own strength and thoroughly deserved his win.

He now plays the top seed, Spain's Alberto Costa, in today's quarter-finals and

today's quarter-finals and there, presumably, Sapsford's tournament will come to a quick halt. Which will probably be good news for his wife
Yuki, who gave birth to a
daughter Hayley on Monday.

Australia's Davis Cup team has been hit by the with-drawal of Todd Woodbridge. who with Mark Woodbridge forms the world's leading doubles partnership, for next week's world group qualifying the agreement for the College tie against Croatia in Split Woodbridge is to undergo minor surgery for an unspeci-fied problem. The winners of the tie will go into the world

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County Championship: Essex v Sussex

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Essex cop it off Salisbury

Paul Weaver at Chelmsford

of weeks for Ian Salisbury. He bowled so poorly during the Oval Test that he received ironic cheers when he managed to send down a dot ball — and this from a crowd which, according to many reports, he will be playing county cricket in

front of next season.

Then, this week, he failed to make either England touring party. His international career has come to a jolting halt and there appears little hope of immediate revival. Essex, who started this match seven points behind the leaders Leicestershire and are looking for a sprint finish in their final two games, both here, the final one against Glamorgan, will be hoping he does not take it out on them.

Salisbury has already hurt them with the bat, making an unbeaten 69 in a Sussex total of 361 for eight, and today he will have the opportunity to make a point about his leg-spin on a dry, turning pitch. Essex have taken three bowling points.

Peter Such, still the country's best off-spinner on a turning wicket, has already bowled 28 overs, taking three for 95, and he will be a tired man by the end of this match. If Essex had their way he would bowl at both ends.

One does not need a virtual-reality machine to know what it usually feels like to bowl

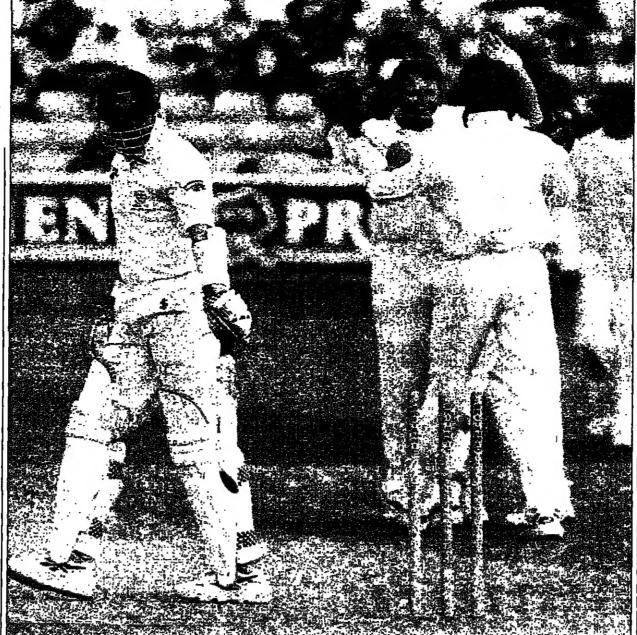
will do the trick. Their bat-ting has been awful for three years now and after four successive defeats this was one of their better

Sussex's captain Alan Wells is still their best player and, after winning the toss yesterday, he reached 1,000 championship runs with his second century of the season. He clumped Such for six over square leg and there were also 15 fours in his 152-ball hundred. After that, surprisingly, he was becalmed by the spin of Such and Paul Grayson. He gave his first real chance at 117, a difficult one to Graham Gooch at short mid-on, and scored only five more before he was given out leg-before despite being well

been set by Neil Lenham, who should be a regular fixture at the top of their order. After the cheap dismissal of Bill Athey he scored a breezy 55 from 82 deliveries, with seven fours, before he was caught at bat-pad off Such's second ball. Keith Greenfield was third out at 112 just before lunch, bowled by Such as he at tempted to sweep.

The tone of the innings had

Keith Newell had his off-stump knocked back by Ron-nie Irani and Vasbert Drakes, who also hit Such for six over square leg, was run out after a sharp piece of fielding by Ashley Cowan. Salisbury then dominated a seventh-wicket partnership of 76 with



Bailful look . . . Greenfield, stumps rattled in seeking to sweep the off-spin of Such, surveys the damage

Durham v Leicestershire

Durham rock bottom as Simmons tops up

David Hopps at Chester-le-Street

URHAM bave endured many humiliations in their five years as a first-class county but few will have cast their shadow so widely. Any pretence har-boured by Leicestershire's championship rivals that the eaders might stumble when least expected was soon abaned as Durham could sum-

mon up only another fiasco. Championship positions can often seem an irrele-vance, with form fluctuating wildly from year to year, but this was top versus bottom and it showed. Durham were dismissed for 126 by mid-afternoon, with Leicestershire moving to 253 for five. The victory will surely follow. Phil Simmons's brief acquaintance with Durham was

County with big ambitions. Yesterday he returned to bowl his medium pace passably on an uneven pitch and collected six for 14, the best figures of his life.

From 91 for two Durham contrived to lose seven wick-ets for 10 runs. Daley became Simmons's first victim, flicking to third slip, but the major havoc occurred imme-diately after lunch as he took four wickets in two overs.

The topsoil that once lay be-nignly on Sir John Hall's Wynward Hall estate has gained notoriety since being transported to the Riverside Ground. It cannot be coincidence that so many Durham batting careers Roseberry, Morris and Campbell — have all declined on an immature square.

Yesterday Campbell batted like a man on borrowed time, reaching 35 before Millns had his 1.041 first-class runs only 176 have come here. Morris contrived his own downfall Bumbling out of his crease as he flicked at Pierson's offspin, he was thrown out by Maddy at short leg.

Roseberry, having resigned the captaincy, now seems to have given up playing shots. His dismissal, shouldering arms at Simmons, continued a trend and probably exappointed last season about reaching for the sky".

Leicestershire wisely bat ted aggressively, largely through Maddy and Smith, who both narrowly missed selection for the England A tour. But Betts dismissed them — Maddy lbw to a full-length ball and Smith round his legs — leaving another 97 runs needed today for maximum bonus points.

Kent inflict Llong suffering on young Hants

KENT kept up their pur-suit of the champion-ship leaders yesterday. punishing Hampshire for their use of child labour. Nige! Llong struck 105 not out as they made 376 for four at Canterbury. Hampshire want to sign

Andrew Caddick but in the meantime their pace attack looks green. James Bovill was struck by Carl Hooper for 22 off one over, the 22-year-old Simon Renshaw returned figures of nought for 76 and dropped Llong at third man and the 19-yearold Dimitri Mascarenhas sive but was compensated by the wickets of Hooper and Walker.

Yorkshire also enjoyed their day after putting Nottinghamshire in on a benign track at Scar-borough. Darren Gough and Chris Silverwood, who was awarded his county cap, took three wickets each as Nottinghamshire were bowled out for 187.

Mike Selvey at Dorby

"Kismet," said the Derby shire secretary Reg Taylor leaning into the press box to convey the news, a reference to the way the fates appeared to be conspiring against Derbyshire. Illness and injury had ruled out Colin Wells, and their fifth seam bowler Kevin Dean had dislocated and fractured a finger on

Derbyshire v Warwickshire

Kismet brings down Cork

OMINIC CORK has almost certainly bowled his last ball this season just when Derbyshire need one final effort. The England bowler was hit on the left the Racecourse Ground yesthe Royal Infirmary for an

humerus. "Well, I don't think it's and with justification, for after a succession of running fortable before Moles dragged flushes last year life has a delivery from the newly scarcely dealt Cork a decent capped Andrew Harris on to hand this season.

Jaded and with knees worn out, he has not bowled even close to his best and last week his marriage collapsed. Cork's shoulder will now be immobi-lised for 48 hours and then reassessed, although a further contribution to the season must be unlikely. His tour chances remain unaffected.

have been misplaced, how-ever, for adversity frequently

inspires and in some welcome evening sun Phil DeFreitas took four Warwickshire wick ets in 17 overs from the Grandstand End. It pegged back last year's champions for Derbyshire. shoulder by Dougle Brown having lost an important toss early in his innings of 29 at and been asked to bat first on

a pitch that was flirty, could terday and, after struggling in muster only 242. Chris Adams the field later on, was taken to biffed a belligerent 80 before X-ray, which revealed a hair-line crack to the top of his ball from Gladstone Small. In reply Nick Knight (54) and Andy Moles (28) added 79 funny," he might have said for the first wicket at around a run a ball and looked com

his stumps. By the close, how-ever, which came three balls early because of the low sun, they were teetering precariously on the edge at 131 for five, still 111 runs adrift. It was after Moles's dismissal that DeFreitas, mov-

ing the ball intelligently, took charge with four for 22 in just over seven overs. He began by getting Wasim Khan leg-be-fore, then followed up two overs later by slanting the ball across Knight and into the hands of Karl Krikken, standing up to the stumps.

Two balls later Michael Burns was deceived into leaving an inswinger. The last of the recognised batsmen disap-peared when Trevor Penney flicked outside off stump to Taylor's pessimism may give Krikken his second catch.

Glamorgan v Surrey

Gibson opts out but Dale

David Foot at Cardiff

Ottis Gibson was the man who opted not to play. His captain, Maynard, decided after a chat there would be insufficient commitment

fact that the wicket was going to be pretty slow. But you can draw your own conclusion about why he didn't want to play." said Maynard. The signing of Waqar Younis as the overseas player for next season has hurt Gibson and his days with the county ap-

better equipped to exploit it. Pearson, however, did find some turn and took two late wickets while Surrey's other exponent was Darren Bicknell, who got into the action

with one from his 15 overs.

cluding the captain.

best form of the summer with a composed 90 and Parkin, the an acknowledged off-break ting points.

Montgomerie a top draw as **Faldo falters**

David Davies at St Nom la Bretêche

OLIN MONTGOMERIE stood on the 2nd tee here yesterday and hit a drive that curved perfectly into the ideal position. "Good heavens," said his playing partner and Ryder Cup team-mate Per-Ulrik Johansson. "What was that, a draw? That must have been an accident." Montgomerie smiled. "I can do that on purpose these days," said the man whose high fade has been his signa-ture shot all these years.

The Scot's mastery of the drawn shot is a relatively recent acquisition but at this course near Versailles yesterday it helped him to birdie that 2nd hole and also to a four-under-par 66, one behind the leader of the Trophée Lancome, the Englishman Jamie past three years, he is now rival. winning it while playing

money. In 1993, for instance, he it was 20 and £1,038,718. "I am coming down and the money is going up," said Montgo-merie. "so obviously something is improving. Montgomerie could have

fewer and fewer tournaments and making more and more

10 feet, he went for the birdle captain Ballesteros. and finished 18 inches past the hole. The Scot said later: "I told my playing partners that I'd finish it off, went up and tapped it in - and

He went on: "I was annoyed by that. There were a few

muttered unrepeatables.] don't like throwing shots away and you can't afford to do that in a field of this quality. Every shot and every pound is vital at this stage.

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"But you have to be careful not to chase your mistake. Don't take a driver at the next in anger, if it's really a three-wood shot." Montgomerie, true to that philosophy, played the 5th normally with a two iron off the tee and a sand wadve into the green. sand wedge into the green and was rewarded with a 20ft birdle putt. "The battle to win the rankings is what is keep-ing me going," he said. "I am very tired mentally but, if I were languishing way down in the rankings, I would feel a lot more tired. I don't want to give up the No. I spot now."

Woosnam, troubled by back spasms and a painful neck, took aspirin at half-time yesterday, which seemed to help. After an outward half of 36 he Spence. It has helped him to the top of this year's Volvo rankings and, while he has won that overall title these

Jesper Parnevik is in an interesting position, both in this tournament and overall. A 66 leaves him well-placed here and the Swede, who has played 24 events to win had three top-10 finishes in £798,145. In 1994 he played 21 to win £920,647 and last year United States, is a rapidly improving player who should have been in the last Ryder Cup team and will almost certainly be in the next. But because he no longer

plays the minimum of 11 been at least one shot better events in Europe to retain but for an uncharacteristic membership of the Tour, the mistake on the 4th green. only way he can get into the Having hit his second shot to team is by being picked by the

Nick Faldo, who may also have to be picked, dropped three shots in the last three holes yesterday, hacking back-handed out of the trees at the 16th and finding the water at the 18th to take a double-bogey five and a 73.

Sport in brief

Table Tennis

Grove, one of Britain's mos successful clubs, have been hir by a financial crisis and withdrawn both their teams from the European Cup, writes Richard Jago. The Shropshire-based club lost Ian Marshall, the man who masterminded their success, when he became events director, followed by the withdrawal of their sponsor, BFL and an increase in the cost of their premises at Market Drayton.

Last Sunday the club's two

eading players, the Welsh champion Steve Ward and the England international Chris Oldfield, refused to play against the Cheshire side Vvmura, claiming they were owed money. Grove hope to continue playing in the lower division of the domestic leagues but a return to their pre-eminence of the past the overall lead from Laurent seven years looks unlikely. Jalabert of France.

Equestrianism

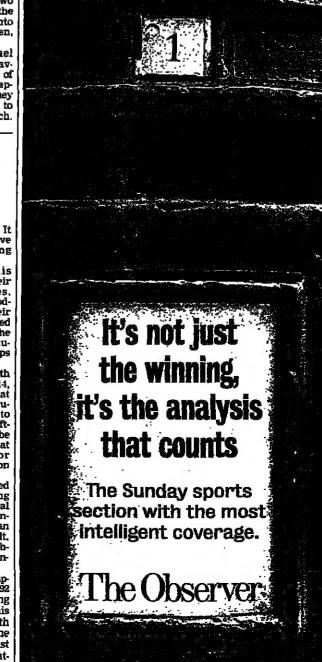
The Horse of the Year Show at Wembley from October 22 to November 6, seeking to broaden its appeal after a de-cline in popularity, will em-brace several new features, notably displays of precision dressage to music by the French Cadre Noir Riding School, who are making their

first appearance in Britain for 15 years, writes John Kerr.

Jane Martin, the 24-year-old from Newcastle, will make her debut for Britain along side Suzanne Horner, Cassie Jackman and Sue Wright as they attempt to win back the women's title from Australia at the World Team Champion ships in Kuala Lumpur next month, writes Richard Jago.

Cycling

Fabio Baldato of Italy won the 210km sixth stage of the Tour of Spain from Almeria to take



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County Championship (Today 10.30)

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YORKSHIRE V NOTTINGHAMSH

First Test Colombet Sri Lanka 384 (A Ranstunga 75, R. Kaluwitharana 71, A. Gurusunha 52; Streak 3-54). Zimbabwe 105-6 (Vaas

● THE Oueensland last bowler Craig McDermott, passed over by Australia for the recent Singer limited-overs trumament in Sir Lanka, has also been omitted from the 14-man squad for the forthcoming sever-week four of India, which features only one Test, in Dethi, on October 10-14. The Australian captain Mark Taylor and the leg-spinner Shane Warme return to the squad after missking Sir Lanka because of aurgery but both lines fitness tests.

Taylor had disc surgery on his back three weeks ago white Warme had an operation to repair the ligament in the fourthinger of his right land in May.

The others named are Healy, Bevan, Fleming, Gillespie, Hogg, Law, McGrath, Ponlung, Reiffel, Staler, M. & S. Waugh.

adds to Surrey's tension

ONE of Glamorgan's players did not want to take part yesterday and was left out. His county, in good heart and in Adrian Dale's and Matthew Maynard's cases, good nick, finished on 351 for nine which was many more than Surrey would have wished.

forthcoming and avoided em-barrassment by allowing the Bajan fast bowler to sit it out.
"I was influenced by the

pear to be over. The grapevine has it that the wicket will spin increas-ingly. If so, Glamorgan seem

bowler of flight and spin. It could also prove a productive test of Cosker's emerging skills at slow left-arm. Surrey, for whom this

match holds the key to their championship fortunes. bowled no more than mod-estly on a placid track. Their fielding occasionally revealed how tautly they viewed the fixture; twice Julian's enthusiastic shies at the stumps went for five. Glamorgan, who lost both

openers with the score on 14, made a sturdy recovery at lively pace. James miscalcu-lated his pull; Morris failed to counter an unpredictable lifter from Lewis, who could be facing internal discipline, at the behest of Lord's, for remarks about his omission from the winter tours.

"I seem to be a marked man," he claimed, pointing out the extent of his financial "penalty" for famously turn-ing up late for Test duty, an unreasonable amount, he felt in comparison with punishments meted out to others in-

Maynard batted at his crisp-est, with 17 boundaries in 92 off 97 balls before succumbing to a long-hop. Dale showed his late choice, hit 10 off the last Yet Glamorgan have Croft, over to ensure maximum bat-

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BJORNEBYE SNATCHES WINNER WITH VALUABLE AWAY GOAL

European Cup Winners' Cup, first round, first leg: MyPa-47 0, Liverpool 1

Reds struggle into the black George in work

jan Ross in Anjalankoski

ERHAPS it is true that there are no easy games left in arena. English clubs are making hard work of seemingly straightforward tasks at present but, as any self-respecting manager will say, a win is a win.

Having succeeded in scoring in a European tie for the first time in four games, Liverpool will presumably move into the next round at a canter, which will probably erase memory of this less than distinguished performance.

up early in this small town in the forestlands of southern Finland. Last season PSV Eindhoven had visited in the Uefa Cup but this was the bigtime. Liverpool had arrived and by introspective Finnish standards the carnival was in full flow. It was a shame it was to prove such a disappointing experience

The Saviniemi Stadium, with its one rickety stand and of course, full. Liverpool's standing in Scandinavia is such that all 5,000 tickets had been disposed of within 19 minutes of the box office roll-

ing up its shutters.
Redknapp, fit for the first time since he limped away from the European Championship finals, went through a vigorous pre-match routine but like successive but like successive genera-tions of Liverpool footballers. he is learning to accept that at Anfield possession is nine-tenths of the law in more ways than one. Unimpressive even dour - though they had been against Southamp-ton last weekend, Liverpool

side's heartbeat. McManaman. If it was an understandable tactic, it was also an in- ited box of tricks.



MyPa attempted to stifle flexible one which dramati-liverpool by man-marking cally reduced the home team's ability to draw any thing even resembling a sur-prise from within a very lim-

Had Liverpool struck early, the part-timers of MyPa might have folded in the traditional and prescribed manner. Despite offering a nice line in counter-attacks, they

Chances came but, against defence boasting the butcher, baker and candle

were a stack of unstable stick-maker, that was always footed wide from a matter of a building blocks waiting to likely to happen. likely to happen.

Liverpool worked the ball

> inability to punch holes in MyPa's back line that so startled those shivering beneath After Fowler and McAteer had stabbed shots wide Liverpool's best openings began to

reasonably well but it was an

fall to those least equipped to take advantage of them. The best chance of what was a tawdry opening half came late on but, even though the goalkeeper Jakonen spilled a Biornebye corner. Babb was unable to turn the

The harder Liverpool tried to fashion a breakthrough, the less likely one seemed, which made the events of the 61st minute all the more

Thirty seconds after Colly-more had mystifyingly side-

few feet Liverpool scored. It was a fine goal. McAteer's first meaningful cross of the evening was only half-cleared out of defence and forward and the ball fell to Bjornebye. who swept it in from 16 yards to make memorable his first European appearance at club

At last MyPa's resolve delicious lob bounced on the cross-bar and Thomas's sweet drive struck the outside of a

landslide.

But further goals would have served only to flatter Liverpool. They deserved to win but certainly not by a

MyPa-47: Jakonen; Huntunen, Moore. Viljanen, Koskinen, Mahilo, Pohja, Gronholm (Jalonen, 74min), Keskitalo (Enberg, 88), Allen (Kangaskorpi, 79) Hernesniemi.

began to weaken. As Finnish which took control of the bodies began to tire, Fowler's Yorkshire club this summer. The former chairman Leslie Silver would have stood by one of football's most respected managers. The great irony in all this.

in case Mr Thompson has forgotten, is that the Arsenal chairman Peter Hill-Wood had asked Leeds if he could invite Wilkinson to clean up his club's tarnished name after Graham's stewardship.

Yob creation



Paul Weaver

T WAS always difficult to imagine George Graham holding out a tin cup be neath Waterloo Bridge, his tattered P45 fluttering under a glowing like a Rembrandt after a fistful of Tennent's

Graham, now one of the world's highest paid manne-quins at £350,000 a year, was clearly going to get another job, even though Emporio Armani seemed more likely than Leeds United to come up with a contract.

Graham might be called the beneficiary of a yob creation scheme. Howard Wilkinson was sacked. it seems, by a minority of bigots on the Elland

Road terraces. Wilko and out. So, if the Leeds chairman Bill Fotherby is always prepared to give them their head it can be hoped only that he will give them his when they

call for it. It feels good having all this power. Us. Joe Public, It is comforting to know that the next time you hear Pavarotti hit a duff note in concert at Hyde Park you have only to give him a few verbals and they will pack him off to cook spaghetti in Italy where he beongs. In no time at all, with this wonderful new franchise ment, we will have free beer, capital punishment. Gazza for PM and Botham for King. On the other hand. Gra-

ham's appointment might have a little to do with the fact that he lives in the same fashionable apartment block in Hampstead, north London, as Richard Thompson, the for-mer owner of Queens Park Rangers, who is now a director of Caspian, the group

Graham, you will recall, was sacked by Arsenal in Feb-ruary last year after he had been found guilty of taking illegal payments, totalling £425,500, from the agent Rune Hauge in connection with the transfers from Scandinavia to Highbury of Pal Lydersen and John Jensen

John Jensen.
Highbury and Elland Road
now make an interesting comnow make an interesting comparison. At Arsenal, waiting for Arsene Wenger feels about as profitable as waiting for a specific profitable profitable. Godot. The bust of Herbert Chapman is still there, proud and preening among themb-ble. Somebody should them a towel over his head to pattern him gazing down on this

him gazing down on uns-struggling, managerless cino. They might have been but-ing and ultimately unsuccess-ful under Graham but at least they did not ship goals as eas-ily as they did the other night against Borussia Mönchen-gladbach, a moderate side in this year's Bundesliga.

At Leeds, meanwhile where Wilkinson won the championship only four years ago, having won the old Second Division title in 1990, and followed that with two fifth positions in 1994 and 1995, there is the atmos of a proper football club; a. thriving youth policy, an impressive stadium, new trak-ing facilities, a hostel for. oung players . . .

Now they have Graham once known as Stroller and should have been told to be ware Norwegians bearing

UT this is not a moral-istic, Calvinistic who took a bung. There are other reasons why he is lucky to get the job at leeds, not least his lack of humility after bringing shame to a once-proud club and even writing a book about the episode.

Then there is his recent record as a manager. At High-bury he allowed an ageing team to stagnate for over two vears. It is a manager's job to compete in the transfer market and towards the end of his career with Arsenal Graham lost that skill, even though he was one of the few people with players. "It is easy to spend money

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on the wrong players," he al-ways said in his own defence, but it was his job to identify the right players and sign them, and he failed.

Graham also has history against him. Few managers have enjoyed success at more than one club. Chapman, of course, Brian Clough, Kenny Dalglish, Bobby Robson, Alex Ferguson . .

Graham looks unlikely to make that list. Self-belief is one thing, egotism another.



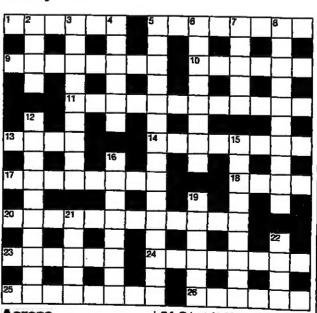
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Oliver Stone creates because he has to to conquer his own demons, survive his madness, grapple with his outrageous

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